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Mixed Feelings About the War in Iraq

Dear Editor,

As I watched the media depictions of American troops in Iraq, it evoked a mixture of sadness and rage. In California, "Support Our Troops," is little more than a hollow platitude. Inspiring images and stories abound of our Medics and Corpsmen, saving the lives of friend and enemy alike. Reporters are quick to praise the skill and bravery of these men and women. Yet, despite the mushrooming crisis in nurse staffing levels, these troops will be mostly excluded from applying their skills in California. In fact, immigrants will find it easier to use their training here than will our own troops.

Those brave troops of today are the janitors and garbage collectors of tomorrow The California Board of Licensed Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (BVNPT) does not even allow troops to be tested for a Vocational Nurse license in many cases.

Even though I am a decorated veteran of the first Gulf War, I am being denied the opportunity to prove my skills. This is no isolated case; a segment on National Public Radio featured a 20-year veteran of the Navy who was denied the test. The BVNPT has taken it upon itself to add requirements, above and beyond the State Law that exclude most veterans and are particularly difficult for male veterans to fulfill.

This may help account for the shortage of men in nursing positions **Patricia C. Bates**, R. 73rd District of the California State Assembly ordered her staff not to give me any assistance in the matter, according to a male staff member. The California Fair Employment and Housing Administration refused to take any action for almost six months. When action was taken, it stalled for many more months. More than a year has passed since my application to take the test and no conclusion has been reached.

The Office of Assembly Speaker **Herb Wesson, Jr.** has been the most prominent and effective of a short list of allies. I would like to personally thank Mr. Wesson for his support of veterans and Eric Astacaan of the speaker's office for his unflagging help. The BVNPT is composed of a small group who believes that they can impose their egos on the people of California. They operate above and beyond the law, imposing requirements that are not written in the law.

As a result, Veterans are largely excluded from using their hard-earned skills and often must take unskilled jobs instead. California's healthcare system is the loser. Meanwhile, California is quietly scrambling to find enough nurses to fulfill its upcoming requirements. The next enemy won't be in a foreign land; it will be government indifference and poverty.

Kimberly McClintock
Carlsbad, California

Do As The Fundies Do: Organize

Dear Editor:

With the initial outrage and jokes on Santorum having run their course , those of us who wish to defend our privacy rights need to make political calculations of our own. Santorum's "love the sinner, hate the sin" stance—he has nothing against us, he just thinks we should be arrested if we act on our feelings—remains hard to dismiss in the Republican Party because that party has a large, well-motivated constituency that agrees with him. As Andrew Sullivan observes, "It's not that far from saying that you have nothing against Jews, as long as they go to Church each Sunday. (Which was, of course, the Catholic position for a very long time.)"

Gays have made great strides politically, but we are well short of the goal of making homophobia political poison. In the last election, candidates from both major parties used anti-gay tactics against their opponents. Senate Majority Leader Bill First (R-TN) and White House spokesman Ari Fleischer have publicly defended Santorum, not for their stated reasons but because scapegoating gays is still largely accepted in the GOP. Alas, moderate Republicans like Senators Olympia Snowe (R-ME) and Lincoln Chafee (R-RI), who repudiated Santorum's remarks, are rare outside New England.

It is easier when you appeal to, rather than attack, their own values. Santorum's coercive worldview violates conservative principles of smaller government. Crusading to impose one's religious beliefs on others is distracting and spiritually corrupting. A governing majority for gay rights can best be achieved by making the conservative case for respecting gay families and not just the liberal one. In Pennsylvania as elsewhere, this means working locally and statewide to promote winning alternatives to the likes of Rick Santorum. The other side is working too. ▼

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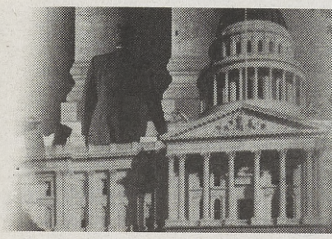

Under The Domes

Republican Leader Anti-Gay REMARKS Criticized

By Mary O'Neal
MGW Staff

During an interview with the Associated Press, Pennsylvania Republican Senator **Rick Santorum** made comments that are deeply offensive to the GLBT community. Santorum was asked by the Associated Press to define his views on Sodomy Laws and homosexuality. His response has caused uproar in the GLBT community and liberal America.

Santorum said, "I have no problem with homosexuality. I have a problem with homosexual acts. As I would with acts of other, what I would consider to be, acts outside of traditional heterosexual relationships.

And at that includes a variety of different acts, not just homosexual, I have nothing absolutely nothing against anyone who's homosexual. The question is, do you act upon those orientations? So it's not the person, it's the person's actions. And you have to separate the person from their actions."

The Associated Press continued, "Ok, without being too gory or graphic, so if somebody is homosexual, you would argue that they should not have sex?"

Santorum answered, "We have laws in states, like the one at the Supreme Court right now, that have sodomy laws and they were there for a purpose. Because, again, I would argue, they undermine the basic tenets of our society and the family. And if the Supreme Court says that you have the right to consensual sex within your home, then you have the right to polygamy, you have the right to incest, you the right to adultery. You have the right to anything.

Does that undermine the fabric of our society? I would argue, yes, it does. It comes from, I would argue, this right to privacy that doesn't exist, in my opinion, in the United States Constitution, this right that was created, it was created in Griswold—Griswold was the contraceptive case—and abortion.

And now we're just extending it out. And the further you extend it out, the more you—this freedom actually intervenes and affects the family. You say, well, it's my individual freedom.

Yes, but it destroys the basic unit of our society because it condones behavior that's antithetical to strong, healthy families. Whether it's polygamy, whether it's adultery, where it's sodomy, all of those things, are antithetical to a healthy, stable, traditional family.

Every society in the history of man has upheld the institution of marriage as a bond between a man and a woman. Why? Because society is based on one thing: that society is

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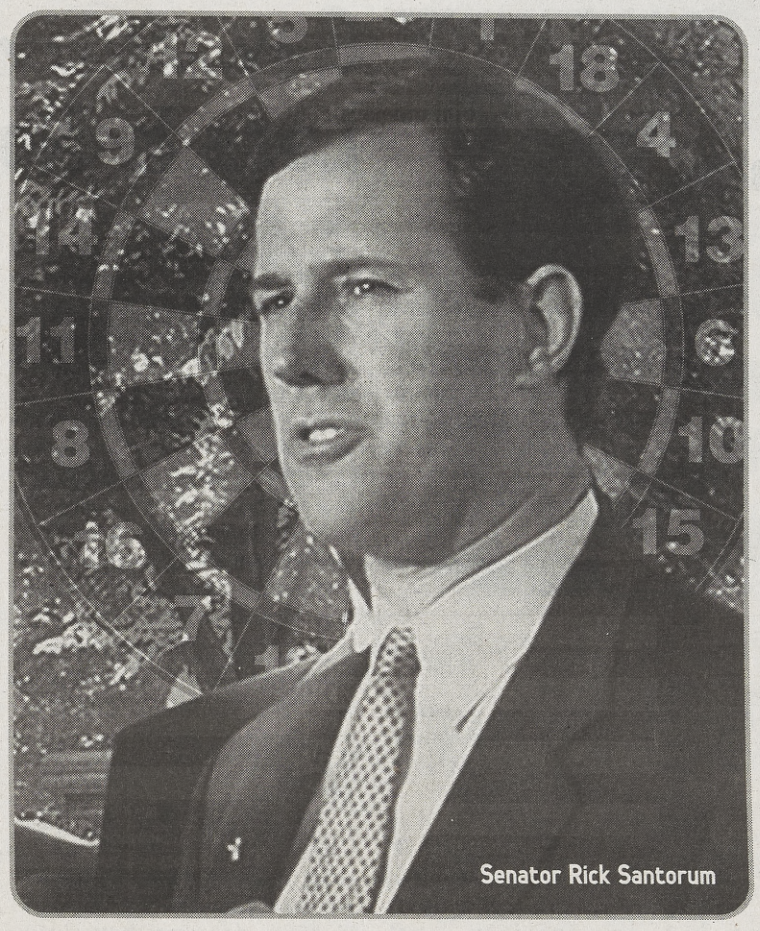

Republican Senator Rick Santorum's remarks regarding homosexuality were attacked across the country.

Santorum On Homosexuality

The following is an unedited section of the Associated Press interview, taped April 7, with Senator Rick Santorum, R-Pa. Words that could not be heard clearly on the tape are marked (unintelligible).

ASSOCIATED PRESS: If you're saying that liberalism is taking power away from the families, how is conservatism giving more power to the families?

SANTORUM: Putting more money in their pocketbook is one. The more money you take away from families is the less power that family has. And that's a basic power. The average American family in the 1950s paid (unintelligible) percent in federal taxes. An average American family now pays about 25 percent.

The argument is, yes, we need to help other people. But one of the things we tried to do with welfare, and we're trying to do with other programs is, we're setting levels of expectation

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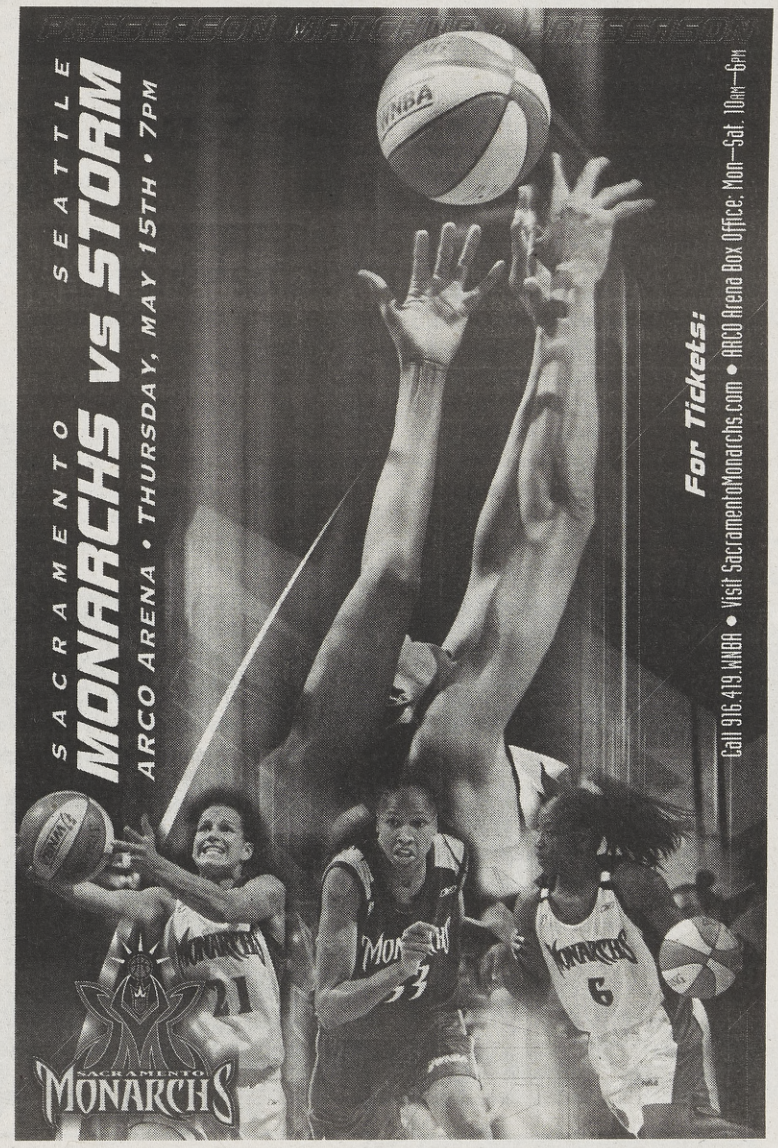
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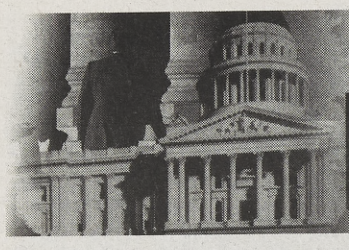

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TRAINING for Gay Candidates Offered

The Gay and Lesbian Victory Foundation will conduct a four-day workshop on campaigns and the electoral process May 29 through June 1, in Berkeley. Members of GLBT community who have an interest in campaign strategy, GOTV, fundraising, and media and message are invited to attend. Party affiliation does not matter.

Notable alumni of the Institute included Rep. **Karla Drenner**, California State **Senator Sheila Kuehl** and **Elizabeth Birch**, Executive Director of the Human Rights Fund. The training offers attendees access to some of the nation's foremost campaign strategists. ▼

Info: victoryfoundation.org

Gay *Marriage*: Less Is Not Equal

Marriage Equality California (MECA) has fought to secure the freedom and the right for same-sex couples to enter into a legally recognized civil marriage.

Same-sex families face many challenges: visiting a loved one in the hospital, applying for immigration and residency for partners from another country, having joint parenting, adoption, foster care, custody, and visitation. No domestic partnership, civil union or private agreement can duplicate the legal status of a civil marriage.

Polls say 80% of Californians do not believe the government should discriminate. These same polls also show that less than 50% of Californians oppose allowing same-sex couples to legally marry, with 45% already supporting equality. ▼

Info: marriageequality.org

Santorum Criticized for Anti-Gay Remarks

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based on the future of the society. And that's what? Children. Monogamous relationships.

In every society, the definition of marriage has not ever to my knowledge included homosexuality. It's not, you know, man on child, man on dog, or whatever the case may be. It is one thing. And when you destroy that you have a dramatic impact on the quality–"

AP interrupts with a question, "I'm sorry, I didn't think I was going to talk about "man on dog" with a United States Senator, it's sort of freaking me out."Santorum replies, "And that's sort of where we are in today's world, unfortunately. The idea is that the state doesn't have rights to limit individuals' wants and passions. I disagree with that. I think we absolutely have rights because there are consequences to letting people live out whatever wants or passions they desire. And we're seeing it in our society.

The AP asked a final question: Would a "President Santorum" eliminate a right to privacy —you don't agree with it?

Santorum concluded, "I've been very clear about that. The right to privacy is a right that was created in a law that set forth a ban on rights to limit individual passions. And I don't agree with that.

So I would make the argument that with President, or Senator or Congressman or whoever Santorum, I would put it back to where it is, the democratic process. If New York doesn't want sodomy laws, if the people of New York want abortion, fine. But I don't agree with the Supreme Court coming in."

Santorum's remarks were attacked across the country, drawing negative attention to the United States Senate. He defended his comments by stating:

"My discussion with the Associated Press was about the Supreme Court privacy case, the constitutional right to privacy in general, and in context of the impact on the family.

I am a firm believer that all are equal under the Constitution. My comments should be misconstrued in any way as a statement on individual lifestyles.

To suggest that my comments, which are the law of the land and were the reason the Supreme Court decided the case in 1986, are somehow intolerant, I would just argue that it is not."

Congressmember Eleanor Holmes, House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi, The Gay & Lesbian Medical Association, Senator John Kerry, Senator Howard Dean, The Interfaith Alliance (TIA), and LLEGO are among the few who have publicly spoke vehemently against the remarks made by the senator.

The California Legislative GLBT Caucus requested in a letter that the United States Senate examine the comments of Santorum and decide whether the remarks are befitting of his office or instead deserve discipline or sanction.

Senator **Sheila James Kuehl**, Assembly Speaker *pro Tempore* **Christine Kehoe**, Assemblymember **Jackie Goldberg**, Assemblymember **John Laird**, and Assemblymember **Mark Leno** responded with a letter informing the Senate of their disapproval.

"Senator Santorum's comments were not only deeply offensive to all GLBT Americans, said Kehoe, "His comments offended all Americans who cherish civil rights."

The California Legislative GLBT Caucus' role is to present a forum for the California Legislature to discuss issues that affect GLBT Californians and to further the goal of equality and justice for all Californians. The Caucus' formation made California the first state in the country to recognize an official caucus of openly-GLBT state legislators. ▼

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AP Interviews Santorum

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and responsibility, which the left never wanted to do.

They don't want to judge. They say, 'Oh, you can't judge people. They should be able to do what they want to do.' Well, not if you're taking my money and giving it to them.

But it's this whole idea of moral equivalency. *(unintelligible)* My feeling is, well, if it's my money, I have a right to judge.

AP: Speaking of liberalism, there was a story in The Washington Post about six months ago, they'd pulled something off the Web, some article that you wrote blaming, according to *The Washington Post*, blaming in part the Catholic Church scandal on liberalism. Can you explain that?

SANTORUM: You have the problem within the church. Again, it goes back to this moral relativism, which is very accepting of a variety of different lifestyles.

And if you make the case that if you can do whatever you want to do, as long as it's in the privacy of your own home, this "right to privacy," then why be surprised that people are doing things that are deviant within their own home?

If you say there is no deviant as long as it's private, as long as it's consensual, then don't be surprised what you get. You're going to get a lot of things... you're sending signals that as long as you do it privately and consensually, we don't really care what you do.

And that leads to a culture that is not one that is nurturing and necessarily healthy. I would make the argument in areas where you have that as an accepted lifestyle, don't be surprised that you get more of it.

AP: The right to privacy lifestyle?

SANTORUM: The right to privacy lifestyle.

AP: What's the alternative?

SANTORUM: In this case, what we're talking about, basically, is priests who were having sexual relations with post-pubescent men.

We're not talking about priests with 3-year-olds, or 5-year-olds. We're talking about a basic homosexual relationship. Which, again, according to the world-view sense is a perfectly fine relationship as long as it's consensual between people.

If you view the world that way, and you say that's fine, you would assume that you would see more of it.

AP: Well, what would you do?

SANTORUM: What would I do with what?

AP: I mean, how would you remedy? What's the alternative?

SANTORUM: First off, I don't believe -

AP: I mean, should we outlaw homosexuality?

SANTORUM: I have no problem with homosexuality. I have a problem with homosexual acts.

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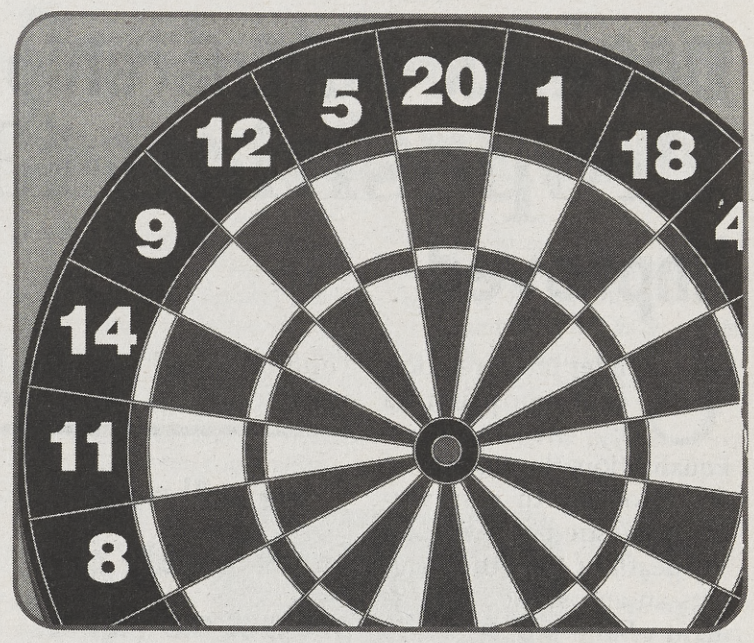

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I think we absolutely have to

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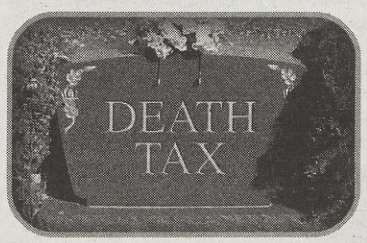
Gay Death Tax Looms over California

The Board of Equalization reported proposed changes to property tax rules to domestic partners that affect the transfer and reassessment of property in case one of the partners dies. Due to Proposition 13, when a person dies, the surviving partner frequently loses his or her home because the newly reassessed property becomes too much of a tax burden.

The rule change sought to rectify that by placing domestic partners in line with married couples who do not suffer the same outcome.

There are concerns as to whether **John Chiang** (D-Los Angeles) and Controller **Steve Westly** will stand by the GLBT community and vote in favor of the new ruling. Both votes are needed to instate this change since the board only consists of five members. ▼



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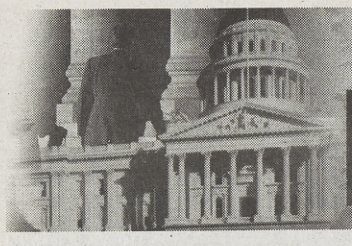

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Domestic Partnership and Proposition 13 Improved

Under interpretation of Proposition 13 by the Board of Equalization, the transfer of real property to a surviving domestic partner upon the death of the other triggers an automatic reassessment of the property, creating a tax liability for the surviving partner.

Some surviving partners could lose his or her house. These changes seek to remedy that by allowing domestic partners to use estate-planning tools (wills and trusts) to become joint tenants and original transferors in the same manner that married couples can in the State of California.

"...we still need to participate to protect our rights."

—Carole Migden

Chairmember **Carole Migden** said, "The community has been enlivened to fight discrimination because it signals the degree to which we still need to participate to protect our rights. I am proud to say that the members of the board who voted to help domestic partners save their homes did so partly because they recognize the financial burden placed on surviving domestic partners from the sudden and unforeseen increases in property taxes." ▼

Info: boe.ca.gov

Gender Discrimination Bill Heads to State

The California State Assemblymember **Mark Leno**'s AB 196, a bill that will ensure protection against job or housing discrimination based on gender, actual or perceived, because Leno believes, "everyone deserves a fair chance at the American Dream." Although State Legislation prohibits bias on the grounds of sex, race, religion, sexual orientation and various other grounds, AB 196 will widen the criteria and further prevents injustice. Businesses with five or fewer employees are exempt.

Opponents of this bill fear financial loss due to false accusations since victims can file complaints with State or sue in court of reinstatement, back pay, and damages, including emotional distress. The bill is estimated to have no fiscal impact on the state's budget, because the state's Department of Fair Employment and Housing already investigates cases of gender-based discrimination under existing sex discrimination laws. The bill has a broad platform of support from CLF, AFSCME, SEIU, the NAACP and many others.

"...everyone deserves a fair chance at the American Dream."

—Assemblymember Mark Leno

Leno will attend committee hearings and a vote by the full Senate. Last month Leno also introduced Teresa Sparks, former Human Rights Commissioner of San Francisco, as "Woman of the Year" the first transgender woman ever to receive that honor from the State Assembly. ▼

Info: (415) 816-4717

UCC Appoints Out Minister to Editor

The United Church of Christ (UCC) named Rev. **J Bennett Guess** as the new editor of its national newspaper. Guess will succeed Rev. **W. Evan Golder**, who retires in July. Guess earned a Bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Kentucky and is an experienced journalist.

The publication has a readership of 315,000, and a circulation of 175,000. The 18-year-old paper has won more than three dozen awards from the Associated Church Press and the Religion Communicators Council. Guess says, "the United Church News is the most visible ongoing expression of oneness o four life together as the United Church of Christ."

Guess served as pastor of Zion UCC and was also co-founder of the Kentucky Fairness Alliance, a state GLBT organization that he co-chaired for five years. ▼

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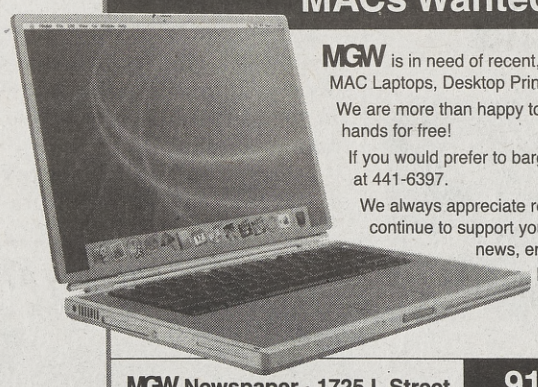

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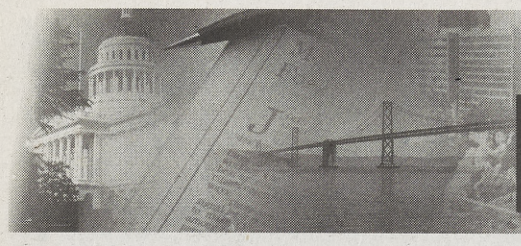

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Local Stonewall Democratic Club Growing

The mission of the Stone wall Democratic Club of Greater Sacramento is to advance equal rights for all people, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity.

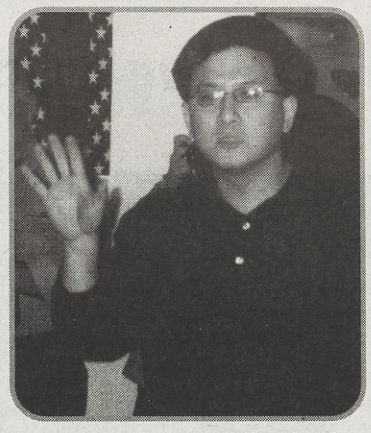
The mission includes support of public policies that advance the mission in the United States, California and the Sacramento area. A huge part of that is to elect qualified, openly GLBT people to public office, as well as Democratic Party candidates that advocate equal rights for the GLBT community.

There is a growing need to sensitize and educate all Democratic candidates and office holders, the Democratic Party in general and the community at large, to the issues and concerns of the GLBT community.

Within the GLBT community, promotion of the Democratic Party's broad message of economic justice and social equality is key.

To achieve this objective, the Stonewall Democratic Club of Greater Sacramento will work:

- To lead the party to improve its record and speak out on issues of importance to the GLBT communities, and to work for the nomination and election of Democratic candidates, including qualified openly GLBT candidates.
- To achieve diversity in membership and its' governing bodies.
- To elect openly GLBT people to local office and to achieve appointments of openly GLBT people to city and county boards and commissions who will be fully supportive of the fight for equality and against bigotry and intolerance.
- To take a position on candidates and ballot measures.
- To register voters who support the club's mission and encourage their participation in the electoral process.
- To educate the GLBT communities, and people who are supportive of them, on the equal rights issues we face and assist them in that struggle.
- With other GLBT groups individuals to promote the mission of equality.
- With other local grassroots Democratic Clubs in the Sacramento area, and our non-gay allies, in order to advance the prominence of openly GLBT people within the Democratic Party.



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Stonewall Democratic Club of Greater Sacramento (SDCGS), members listened to John Chiang, a member of the California State Board of Equalization at the April meeting at Uptown Studios.

Membership costs are $35, and checks can be mailed to Stonewall Democratic Club, 1861 Pebblewood Drive, Sacramento, CA 95833. ▼

Info: 359–1040

Death of Davis Teen Saddens Community

The thirteen year old student (name withheld by request of family) labeled "gifted, humorous and akin to a seventeen year old in a thirteen-year-old body passed away Tuesday, April 15 to the shock and horror of family, friends, teachers and the community.

The news had spread all over **Holmes Junior High**, the school he attended until recently. He had converted most of his classes to the Davis School for Independent Study.

Sarita Snipes, his fifth grade teacher from Valley Oak Elementary fondly remembers her former student as, "the only fifth-grader I have ever met who went on an organized faith journey. He visited most of the churches in Davis and some in neighboring towns, looking carefully at each until he found the one that met his needs."

"I greatly admired the way that he proudly marched to the tune of a different drum. He was gifted in his humor, intelligence and curiosity," recalled Snipes.

He was fervent, idealistic, and extremely intelligent," a student shared.

He was recognized for his unconventional style and choice of ensemble changed according to how he felt. His friends commented on this as an expression of his individuality.

"He wore whatever he wanted," said one friend.

"He was a popular boy, everyone's little brother," says one of his friends from Davis High School. Although he was an eighth grader, he had friends younger and older than he. His friends and acquaintances were made up of Holmes and Davis students.

In the seventh grade he was an active participant in the gay /straight alliance. During that time he came out to a group of friends.

He was also interested in connecting with his school community. He sustained an Internet journal, which he used to express his daily feelings, music, holidays and school issues. Students who did not know him responded positively to his postings and friends were regular supporters of his thoughtful essays.

See Inspired on page 9

GRANTS Inspire Local Artists

The Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission has released ArtScapes 2003, a $1,000–5,000 grant for formal and informal small arts groups. ArtScapes grants are given to two or more artists who are working together on a one-time project in any artistic discipline. The project should be culturally significant, of rich artistic quality, and serve to help build the Sacramento region's identity as a major cultural destination. ▼

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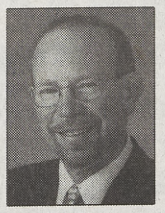

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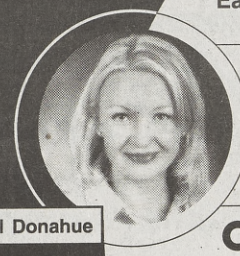

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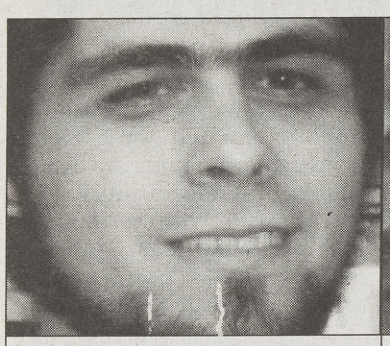
What is the BEST TIME you've ever had with your *Mom*?



Gilbert Hernandez

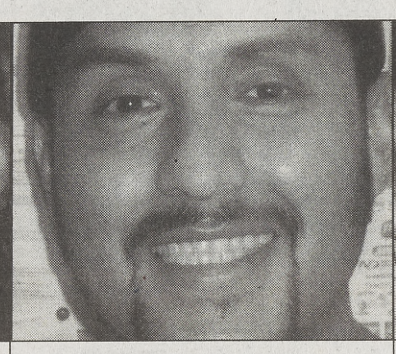
Sacramento
Retail Clerk

The best time had to be right after her marriage, I came out and my mom was very understanding and I was overjoyed! Our mother—son relationship really began when I came out to her. Mom, I will always love you!

Ada H. Jennings

Sacramento
Coffee House Staff

I took my mom out to shoot a game of pool. I won the first game and then my mom completely took over as pool champion. She was the lone shark the entire time. We had a lot of fun together.



Antonio Ceballos

Sacramento
Nurse

I have so many beautiful moments with my mother. The best moment was when I fell asleep with my hand on her lap and she told me I would always be her little baby!

Gretchen Wells

Sacramento
Public Administrator

My mother and I are big antique collectors. During high school, my mother pulled me out of class and we spent the day scouring thrift stores for hidden treasures. Mom, I love your eclectic style!

Mary Clause

Sacramento
Surgical Technician

I would have to say that the best time I've ever spent with my mother would be our camping trip in the mountains. Sitting at the campfire and talking about our lives. My personal relationship with her was great, but she didn't know how to respond to my lifestyle.

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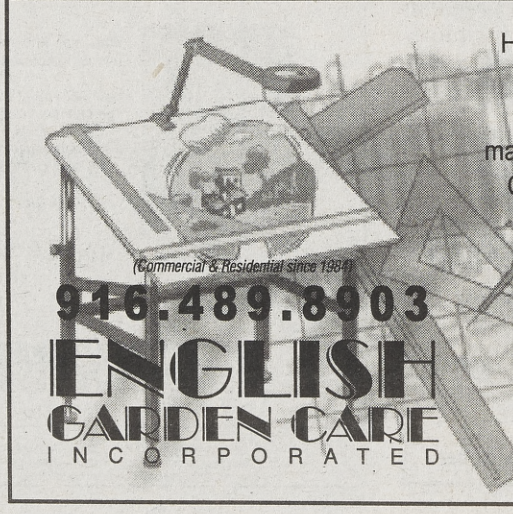

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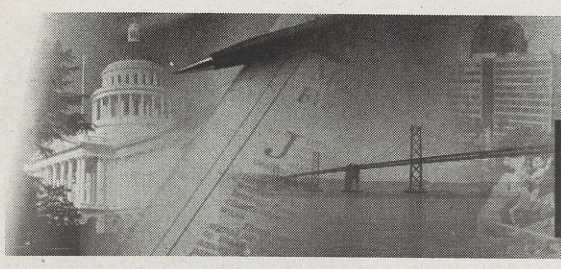

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Sac L.E.G.A.L. Spring Event

All law students, attorneys, law and legislative professionals are encouraged to come and attend the Sac L.E.G.A.L. Spring Event held May 15, 5:30-8:30pm at the J Lee Euro-Asia Bistro on 2516 J Street.

The mission of Sac L.E.G.A.L. is to achieve equality and to provide a leadership presence for gays, lesbians and bisexuals through legal advocacy, education and participation in professional, social and political activities. ▼

Festival Season Kicks-Off

Beginning May 17-18 in downtown Mountain View, Castro Street will be transformed into colorful booths for the 7th Annual **A La Carte & Art**. Presented by the Mountain View Central Business Association, the open-air festival will feature non-stop rhythm and blues, jazz, Motown and rock 'n' roll music, a juried art show with 200 craftspeople offering work in ceramics, glass, fine art, jewelry, leather, textiles, and wood. Growers from the Mountain View Certified Farmers' Market will be available for questions. ▼

Info: 650-964-3395

Teen Inspired Peers

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message that included feelings of depression he unable to dispose of, asking, "Anybody have a one-way ticket to happy-land?"

The journal soon revamped itself as a memorial, a dedication to this young boy. The postings offered tributes, expressions of anguish and regret, apologies for past remarks.

"Why didn't you talk to me? You didn't have to hide your pain from me," said one mourner.

"I didn't even know you. I wish I had. But you changed my life in a way I didn't think anyone ever would...you have inspired me." ▼

Info: geocities.com/sacglsen

Santorum Interview

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limit individual passions.

And I don't agree with that. So I would make the argument that with President, or Senator or Congressman or whoever Santorum, I would put it back to where it is, the democratic process.

If New York doesn't want sodomy laws, if the people of New York want abortion, fine. I mean, I wouldn't agree with it, but that's their right. But I don't agree with the Supreme Court coming in. ▼

Slow Economy Won't Stop SF PRIDE

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This year is the 33rd Anniversary of the San Francisco Pride Parade and celebration. The theme of the event is derived from the city's first openly gay elected official, **Harvey Milk**, who was murdered in City Hall twenty-five years ago. Milk was frequently asked why he continued to work as a gay rights activist and he often answered "You've Gotta' Give Them Hope." His words of wisdom are now the official theme of this year's pride parade.

Comedienne **Marga Gomez** returns to the city that gave her a jump start in stand-up to join author **Armistead Maupin** as Celebrity Grand Marshal. Gomez has risen from the small clubs of San Francisco to live performances on HBO, Showtime and Comedy Central.

Although the economy is on a downward spiral, sponsorship for the festivities has grown since last year. SF Pride has longtime supporters that value its mission through thick and thin.

President **Joey Cain** said, "We have a very loyal sponsor base and a high retention rate. Our partners are a diverse cross section of organizations of many sizes and sectors; some national, some local; some are gay owned and some are non-profits. In addition, this year we welcome several new partners who will help us put on the world-class event that we are known for."

AAA Travel, Bank of America, Joie de Vivre Hospitality, EarthLink, the Hotel Nikko and Enterprise Car Rental are among the new donors. Pride's media sponsors help take the message of Pride to new places. Along with principal media sponsor, *The San Francisco Chronicle*, are *Instinct Magazine*, *Bay Times*, *Curve*, *San Francisco Magazine*, Showtime, and WILD KMEL, KKSF, KISS, KABL, and STAR. This wide range of media will bring the GLBT visibility and issues to the forefront.

The Pride Committee also requires its partners to comply with the City of San Francisco's Domestic Partners Equal Benefits Ordinance.

"We have standards, and so do our partners. They support us on our issues and show their commitment over the long-term, come rain, shine or fog," stated **Teddy Witherington**, Pride Executive Director. ▼

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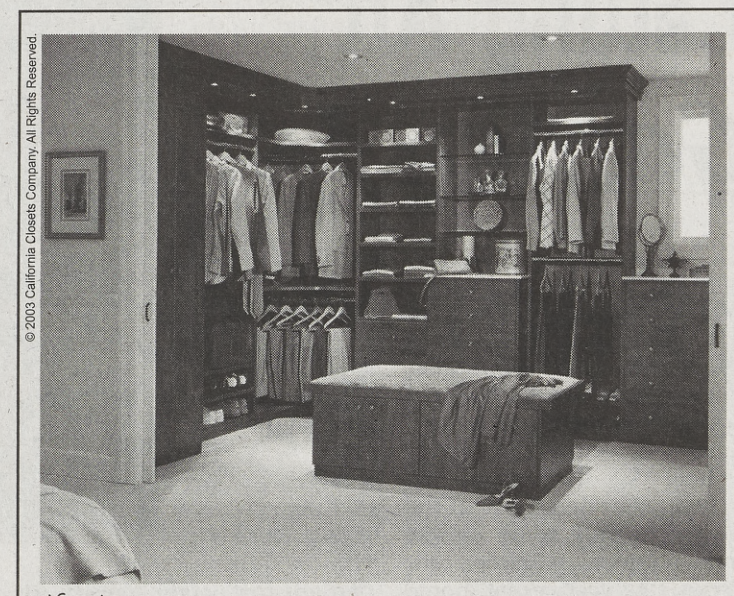
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Tales of a FAULTY BOYFRIEND

By Mary O'Neal
MGW Staff

Sink into a corner, bury his or her old photo and memento, but the truth of the matter, is that no one escapes the embarrassment of an old relationship. Everyone, including yourself, was fully conscious of the fact that this loser, who made you feel so good, was so horrible.

Bentley, Kevin, ed. Boyfriends From Hell: True Tales of Tainted Lovers, Disastrous Dates and Love Gone Wrong! Green Candy Press, San Francisco, CA, 2003.
ISBN 1-931160-14-7, 235 pages.
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These true accounts of the terrible ex-love are written almost too well, piecing together the current state and situation of each victim. Certain situations leave the reader cringing with fear, angry and frustrated with the narrator's lack of self-worth and at times laughing because the lack of respect these innocent, love-starved men so desire is never entirely reciprocated.

In one of the saddest accounts, an infatuated man falls for the chiseled physique of a wealthy, married executive who spends more time describing his luxurious lifestyle then sexually or emotionally pleasing his lover.

The compilation of autobiographical trysts lead to more interesting places, San Francisco being the prime location, and even further unlucky meeting such as the out of work actor who meets a handsome stranger.

A razor blade incident during what should have been a night of enticing orgasms, leads the reader to contemplate: Is it really worth all the drama? After taking a moment to recall all of your past mistakes, most of us would answer yes, fleeting absorption into one individual is definitely central to our growth.

Honestly written and never lacking in vivid description, Kevin Bentley has discovered some of the best literary talent ranging from San Francisco to Toronto in this jewel of a sado-masochistic treasure. ▼

Spring Book Fair Welcomes Lambda Literary Nominees

The Open Book announces its annual Spring Book Fair, to be held Sunday, May 25th from 10am–2pm. A tent will be erected to provide shade for exhibitors and visitors along with a special table to host authors nominated for Lambda Literary Awards this year.

Among authors scheduled to be on hand are: **Mo Brownsey** (*Is it a Date or Just Coffee?* and *Alyson*) and **Ben Tyler** (*Summer Share* and *Kensington*). There will also be live entertainment, art, and a small bazaar of vendors selling used books and fanzines.

Community organizations are urged to sell books at this event as a fundraiser. To reserve space for a vendor, book an entertainer or author, contact coordinator. The Book Fair location is 910 21st Street. ▼

Info: 498-1004
openbookltd.com/events

Calling All *Garden Lovers!*

Organizers have announced plans for the eighth annual Garden and Yard Tour, sponsored by the Sacramento Arts and Games Association (SAGA), to be held May 31st and June 1st.

Long considered one of the most appealing tours on the area's burgeoning "garden tour circuit," this year's event should prove how deep its roots have grown, say organizers.

"Our years experience in Sacramento have led more gardens to us this year," says **Phil Klamm**, who has been with the tour since the first year. "We're further ahead in our plans than usual, so we're really enjoying previewing gardens for the tour. We've only got a few spots left on our dance card, so to speak," he says, since the tour aims to have about ten gardens to view.

Klamm notes with pleasure that some gardens that weren't ready for the tour several years ago are ripe for visiting now.

One of the things that sets this tour apart from some others is that along with being highly selective, there is a focus on gardens that were planted and maintained by the owners, with an eye to creativity and variety.

One of the great benefits of a garden tour is that one can see the best climate and conditions the plants do well in. "Many times on our tour, the homeowner is on hand to answer questions and give tips on design and plants," said Klamm. "We've had condominium gardens because they were so well done, and we've gone the other way, even in the same tour, with estate-line yards," Klamm adds. ▼

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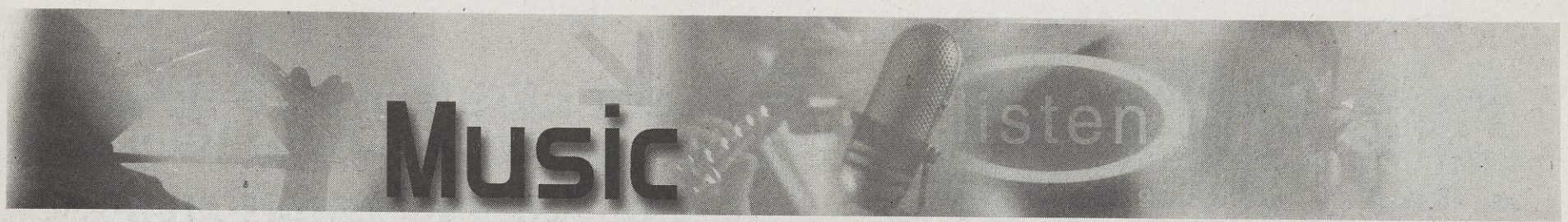


Spring into Jazz

By Stefan Gruenwedel
MGW Staff

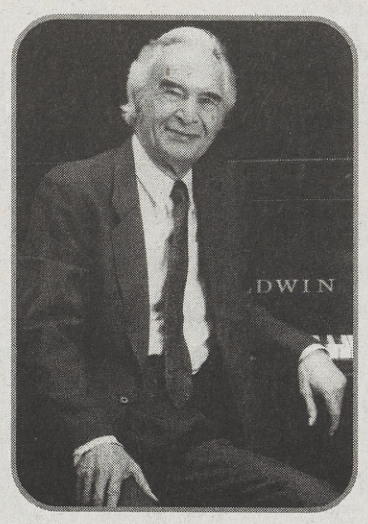
The organization that puts on the fabulous San Francisco Jazz Festival each fall, SFJAZZ, also sponsors Bay Area jazz performances throughout the year. Their spring season comprises a rich collection of jazz masters and relatively new talents to please varied tastes.

For starters, their series of concerts dedicated to piano mastery showcases the talents of some of the most influential masters of keyboard artistry representing many styles.

Hank Jones (May 10, Herbst Theatre, 8pm), widely regarded as one of the finest pianists in jazz, comes from a talented family of jazz musicians, including **Elvin** (a master drummer) and the late trumpeter **Thad** (a longtime **Count Basie** sideman). The 84-year-old Hank Jones graces the stage with his trio for a delightful evening of straight-ahead jazz.

Two groundbreaking piano trios out of New York City, **Jason Moran & The Bandwagon** and **The Bad Plus**, share the stage (May 23, Herbst Theatre, 8pm) to offer audiences an evening of cutting-edge jazz. The first group is led by 24-year-old pianist Jason Moran, who "brings a distinctly artistic touch to his jazz compositions and piano playing," according to **Heather Phares** on the *All Music Guide* website. Indeed, she feels that impressionistic artists such as **Jean-Michel Basquiat** and **Maurice Ravel** inspire Moran's playing and writing style. Appearing after Moran is The Bad Plus, an eclectic and forceful piano-bass-drums trio whom critics call (in a good way) "the loudest piano trio ever."

Two excellent French ensembles representing the best of the past and future of European jazz make their SFJAZZ debut this spring: **Martial Solal Trio** and **Moutin Reunion Band** (May 25, Herbst Theatre, 7pm) Pianist Martial Solal has worked in Paris since the late 1940s, where he recorded with such greats as **Sidney Bechet** and **Django Reinhardt**. The attention-grabbing Moutin Reunion Quartet is a young band led by identical twin brothers, bassist **François** and drummer **Louis**. Calling their music "soulful and sophisticated, subtle and striking," the *Washington Post* rates their level of musicianship and invention as



"consistently impressive."

At 82, local favorite **Dave Brubeck**, one of the best-known jazz pianist alive today, continues to display the same virtuosity he unleashed on unsuspecting middle-class America with his groundbreaking *Time Out* album in 1959. I've seen him at SFJAZZ festivals before and it's truly astounding how this lanky man heats up the stage with his piano mastery and invention.

Catch the **Dave Brubeck Quartet** (June 13, Masonic Auditorium, 8pm) with bassist **Michael Moore**, saxophonist **Bobby Militello**, and drummer **Randy Jones** before this concert sells out for sure.

The SFJAZZ Spring Season also brings several talented string instrumentalists to the fore who really know how to swing. Swinging through the years is **Mark O'Connor** and his **Hot Swing Trio**, along with **Johnny Frigo** (May 24, Herbst Theatre, 3pm and 8pm). The 41-year-old violinist O'Connor has such command of his instrument that he's earned honors not only in the field of jazz music but classical, country, and bluegrass as well. Meanwhile 86-year-old bassist Frigo, who played with Jimmy Dorsey in the mid 1940s, shows how well he can still swing after all these years.

Guitarist **Jim Hall** and bassist **Charlie Haden** form what's sure to be a gentle and intelligent "jazz conversation" when they come onstage (May 30, Yerba Buena Center Theatre, 8pm). As the Europe Jazz Network website puts it, "Few instrumentalists of any kind in any genre...play with such warmth and expressiveness, with the kind of genuine feeling that separates great music from the technically proficient yet cold-hearted brand." Renowned bassist, composer, and bandleader Haden is renowned for his ability to accompany a great diversity of musical styles, especially in duets.

Bossa nova cofounder **João Gilberto** (July 26, Masonic Auditorium, 8pm), now 71, is known in his native Brazil as simply "O Mito" (The Legend). His magnificently smooth voice and guitar playing have earned him accolades for decades, and will enthrall audiences in this rare San Francisco appearance.

Finally, **Charlie Haden**, **Dewey Redman**, and **Joshua Redman** heat up the night (June 6, Herbst Theatre, 8pm and 10pm) with their combined powerhouse performances. At age 72, Dewey Redman continues his winning streak as one of the most adventurous saxophonists around, if not always so well known for it. By contrast, his 30-something son (and Berkeley High graduate) Joshua Redman has electrified the jazz world ever since he burst on the scene as a teenager and has become something of a superstar among young jazz musicians. ▼

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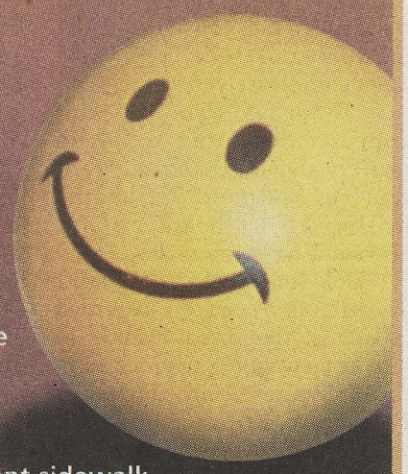

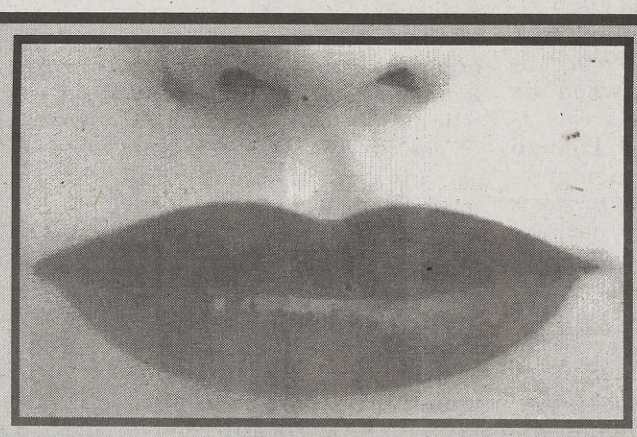

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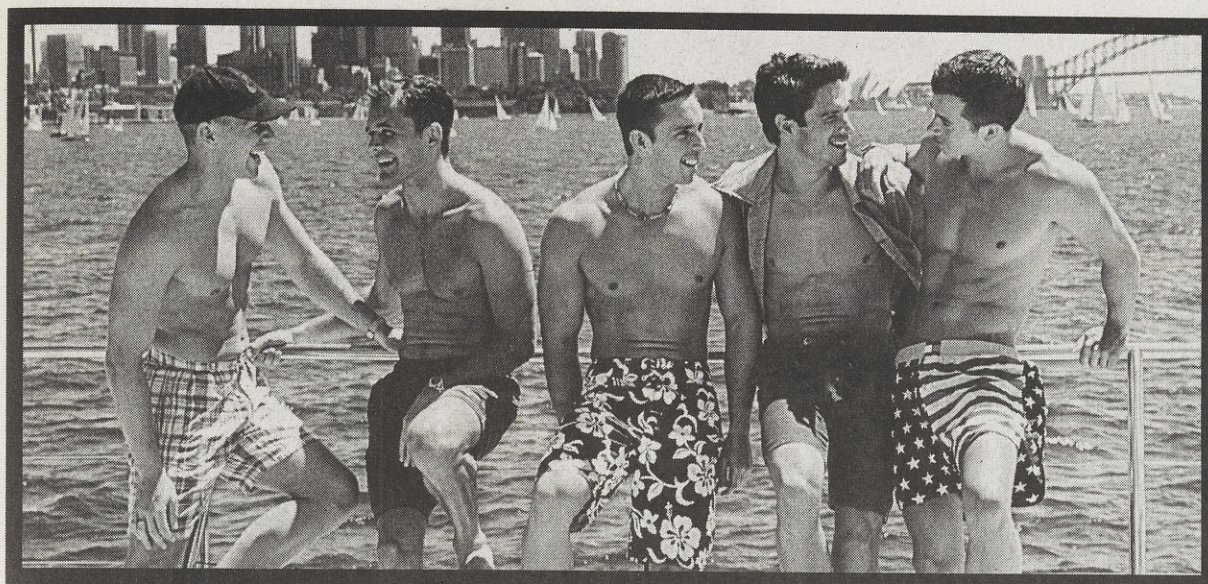

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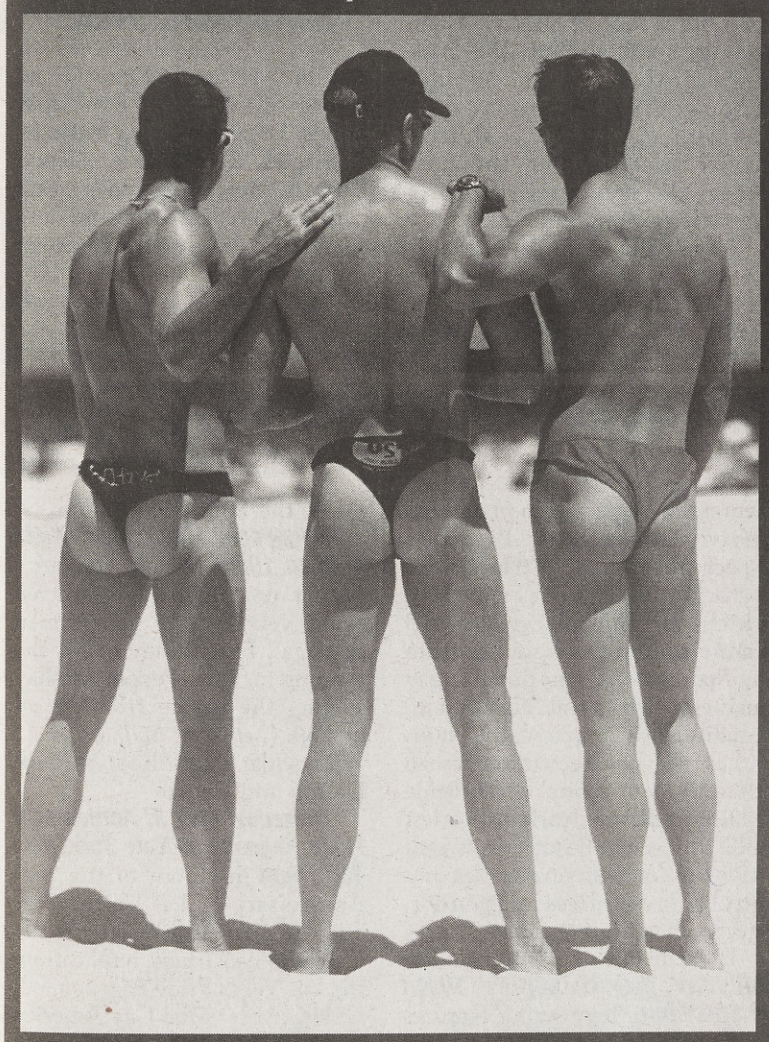

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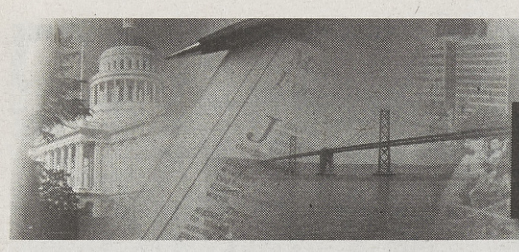

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Choral Ensemble Will Perform in Midtown

The **Sacramento Master Singers** will perform the final concert of the season with a showcase titled *From the Top*, on May 17–18 at St. Francis of Assisi Church.

The concert will include six young musicians who will accompany the Sacramento Masters Singers on the choral works. ▼

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Summer Concerts Planned Midtown Park

Friday night concerts are back in **Caesar Chavez Plaza** beginning Friday, May 2 through August 15 from 5-9pm.

For twelve years the free concert series has delivered up and coming talent, diversity and creativity rolled into a warm summer evening.

Daniel Hurtado, Marketing and Media Relations Manager for the Downtown Sacramento Partnership, promises an upbeat and entertaining environment, a scenario where the community can really come together.

It will be an opportunity to meet up with family and friends while enjoying the sounds of local bands performing live.

The season includes eighteen new bands and extends four extra weeks. ▼

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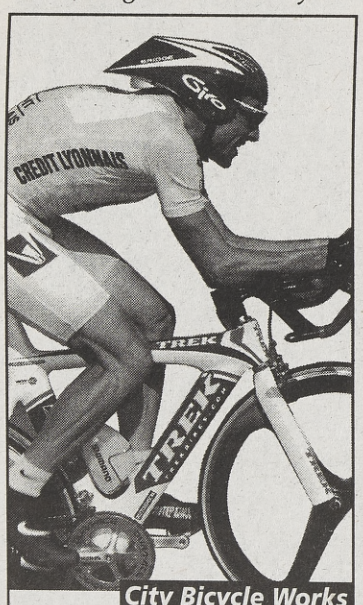

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The theme for the event is *Reign of Light*. This year's Coronation will be held at the **Downtown Convention Center** in over 10,000 square feet of galactic opulence. There will no limit to the scale of festivities, food, talent, and shows to dazzle throughout the weekend.

Pre-Coronation events begin with the *In Town Show & Awards* on Thursday, 7–10pm, at the **Mercantile Saloon** at the corner of 20th and L Streets. This event is open to the general public.

The *Out of Town Show & Awards* begins on Friday, 7–11:30pm, at **Club 21** at 1119 21st Street, between K and L Streets. There is a door donation of $10 dollar per person and no host bar.

The hospitality reception begins Saturday, 11am-3pm, at Club 21. There is no cover charge and a hosted bar.

The *Coronation Gala 2003* will kick off on Saturday, 6pm, banquet, 7pm, Ball. The Gala will be held at the Sacramento Convention Center between 13th and J Streets, five blocks from the **Clarion Hotel**, the event's host hotel. Dinner Packages all include tax and gratuity. RSVP by May 5.

The post Coronation event will close the weekend Sunday, 11am. Awards, noon, at Club 21. Banquet dining is $15.00 per person with no host bar.

There e will be a shuttle service to and from the host hotel all weekend running every fifteen minutes.

Terry Sidie is the Heir Apparent V11 and **Ashley Harwood** is the Ball Coordinator. The Inn of Capitol Park, Travel Lodge, Holiday Inn, Hyatt and the Grand Sheraton will be overflow hotels. Local bars such as **Faces**, **Bojangles**, **Townhouse**, **Depot**, **Club 21**, **Mercantile** and the **Bolt** can provide information and some will house the weekend events. ▼

Info: faces.net

Las Vegas Celebrates 20 years of *Pride*

The 2003 Las Vegas Gay Pride Festival will celebrate its 20th Anniversary with five days of indoor and outdoor activities. The festivities will form the largest Pride celebration in Las Vegas history.

The event includes parties, a parade and the pride festival finale, to be held for the first time at the sprawling Sport Center Las Vegas at Sunset and Las Vegas Boulevard. Planners expect more than 15,000 locals and visitors to attend the festival itself, which for the first time will feature a continuous shuttle from the Sports Center to popular gay business districts at Naples and Paradise and Commercial Center.

Las Vegas is recognized as an entertainment capital noted Pride Chairman **Sasha Scarlett**. Scarlett said, "the schedule of events will offer fun for everyone in the community, regardless of gender, age or sexual orientation."

The schedule of events includes: ***Tuesday, May 6: Ladies' Night at SRO, 9pm*** The evening features lesbian comics, lesbian bands, Las Vegas Showgirl dance teams and female DJ's and an *All Lesbian Foam and Lube Party* inside the famed SRO disco.

Wednesday, May 7: Men's Night at Ibiza. 10pm Tonight the city's hottest new nightclub is reserved exclusively for the sexiest men in Vegas. Entertainment for the evening includes **Pepper Mashay** singing the theme from *Queer as Folk* (*Let's Get Soaking Wet!*) and popular adult film stars **Mark Dalton** and **Caesar**.

Thursday, May 8: Anniversary Pride Pageant at New York-New York. 6pm In Honor of the 20th Anniversary of Las Vegas Pride and the 25th Anniversary of the *Out Las Vegas/Bugle* publication, the Las Vegas Pride Pageant will be Hosted by **Miss Gay America** and held at New York-New York Hotel's Grand Ballroom.

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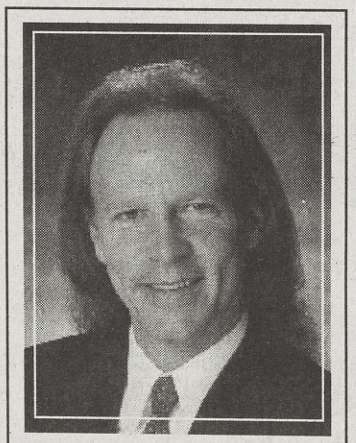

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The Boy Luck Club

By Stefan Gruenwedel, MGW/Staff

When you hear **Justin Lin** discuss his reasons for making the film *Better Luck Tomorrow*, he inadvertently echoes the same sentiments that gay and lesbian directors make about their own films. Not content to settle for stereotypical representations in mainstream entertainment, they want to depict their characters honestly.

BETTER LUCK TOMORROW
Co-written, edited, and directed by Justin Lin.
(Rated R, 98 min.)

"I want to see them exist in a world without having to explain themselves," he says.

Often movies that portray the stress-filled lives of high school kids stick to definable character types that most audiences easily recognize: the brain, the jock, the timid one, the violent one, and the loser. Not surprisingly, real life tends to blend these narrow personalities, and *Better Luck Tomorrow* does this to great effect.

An official selection at the Sundance Film Festival and the first acquisition by MTV Films, *Better Luck Tomorrow* focuses on six students in a suburban (ostensibly Orange County) high school who balance schoolwork with a strong desire to achieve success by graduating with high SAT scores and entering prestigious Ivy League universities. Problems arise, however, when their extracurricular activities get the better of them.

When they aren't sticking their noses in books, these overachievers with attitude risk losing it all.

Better Luck Tomorrow opens with a startling hook: Two guys sunning themselves on lawn chairs hear a cell phone ringing. They automatically check their own phones and realize it's not coming from either of theirs. They crawl along the grass and frantically dig to discover that it comes from a dead body. Strange as this scene seems, it's a gross punch line whose lead-up comprises the rest of the film.

What goes wrong with these youths is that they direct their laudable ambitions in self-destructive ways. Ben (**Parry Shen**) plays a typical high school perfectionist who learns a new word each day so he can increase his verbal SAT score, and who believes that straight A's are his passport to freedom out of boring suburbia.

But he has a darker side. Along with his friends Virgil (an explosive **Jason Tobin**) and Han (**Sung Kang**), they commit petty crimes on weekends to alleviate their boredom from the cycle of endless classes and homework throughout the week. They're quite a trio: Virgil has a short fuse and a hot temper and Han is the brooding sort who smokes a lot.

Things get darker for Ben when he befriends Daric (**Roger Fan**), the senior valedictorian that seemingly leads every school club ("lunchtime is club time") and runs the newspaper. Exhibiting a take-no-prisoners attitude about getting what he wants out of life, Daric heads the Academic Decathlon team and displays an innate ability to lead others in unconventional ways towards victory. One of the people he leads down a more dangerous path is Ben by introducing him to the notion of creating cheat sheets and earning more money in one night than he earns at the local fast food joint.

While all this is going on, Ben somehow manages to hide his illicit endeavors from his lab partner, Stephanie (**Karin Anna Cheung**), a straitlaced high achiever who likes him but also has a boyfriend, Steve (**John Cho**), who's somewhat aloof. Nevertheless, Stephanie's evening study times with Ben give him a glimpse of romantic possibilities ahead.

However, pleasant times aren't exactly around the corner. Under Daric's influence, Ben's experiments with petty crimes escalate to dealing (and taking) drugs. He turns into a mess, but who can hold his own.

Stephanie (Karin Anna Cheung) and Ben (Parry shen) share a smile in Justin Lin's *Better Luck Tomorrow*.

Nothing I've said so far hints at the fact that all the characters are Asian Americans. That's the way director Lin would probably like people to watch his film.

Better Luck Tomorrow mainly explores the power of cliques and how it informs a gang mentality. The fact that he focuses on Asian American characters that are fully integrated with American culture is almost tangential. Although there are references to being Asian in a white world (for example, Daric likens Ben's participation on the basketball team to little more than minority tokenism because he's never given a chance to play), this film is not overtly political about cultural dif-ferences.

"I wanted to create a film space that did not define Asian Americans in opposition to whiteness," Lin explains, "but rather to establish them as active participants in the ever-evolving face of Americana." After all, "everyone searches for an identity."

For such a low-budget film, *Better Luck Tomorrow* looks like a million bucks. Photographed in high-contrast tones (and with real film, not digital video), it intersperses fast-motion, handheld jiggles with slow-motion shots that hint at the characters' stress levels and feelings of isolation from the world. It also boasts a talented cast that fits their roles perfectly.

One nice visual touch is the use of the new words that Ben memorizes, shown in dictionary-style definitions, to introduce the movie's acts: "temerity" when Ben contemplates doing ever more questionable activities, "quixotic" when things get out of hand, "temperance" when Ben realizes he needs to break the cycle he's locked in, "catharsis" when the gang realizes the great wrong they've just committed, and "inextricable" when they realize they're in on it together, no matter the outcome.

Teenagers populate this film; the only adult who stands out is none other than **Jerry** ("Beaver Cleaver") **Mathers**, who makes a cameo as a biology teacher. The absence of adults begs the question, Where are the parents?

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Batting Against Conservative CHRISTIAN CRUSADERS

In the Life, the GLBT newsmagazine presents "The Fundamental Fight" its May broadcast on Channel 6, 11pm, May 23, Friday.

Tony winner **Cherry Jones** (*The Heiress*) and Tony nominee **David Marshall Grant** (*Angels in America*) will guest host the episode which delves into the religious right's crusade against the GLBT community as it plays out on television and ballots, inside of classrooms and libraries, and within houses of worship. The program includes earlier ITL stories.

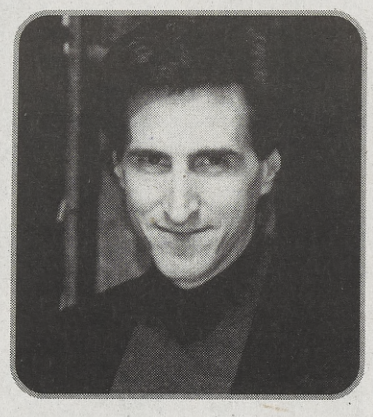
In *Battle for the Box*, the film It's *Elementary: Talking About Gay Issue in School* by award-winning director **Debra Chasnoff** fires a heated debate over educating youth about gays and lesbians.

ITL takes a look at race and its impact on gender identity and sexuality in *Black is...Black Ain't*, an eye-opening work by the late African-American filmmaker **Marlon Riggs**. And in *Children's Books, Adult Battles*, a local right-wing minister holds a Texas library's controversial gay-themed children's books hostage.

Other features include an award-winning story *Gay Muslims* that explores the controversial and life-threatening issues surrounding Muslims who identify as gay.

ITL reports *Ballot Measure 9*, a Christian group's proposal that denounced homosexuality and would forbid its mere mention in Oregon; and looks at the *Ex-Gay Movement* and its religious crusade to convert GLBT citizens into heterosexuals. *ITL* also focuses on the *Promise Keepers*, a Christian men's outreach whose alarming mission is to reclaim patriarchal supremacy.

In *Out Takes*, guest commentator **Paul Rudnick** responds to **Jerry Falwell**'s September 2001 indictment of GLBT community for the 9/11 attacks.



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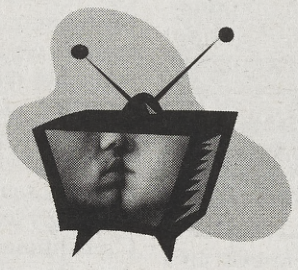
ITL public service announcements feature **Melanie Henderson** of Beth Chayim Chadashim, author Rev. **Peter J. Gomes** of Harvard Divinity School, and poet **Pamela Sneed**. Correspondents **Tanya Barfield** and **Katherine Linton** provide field reports. ▼

Info: inthelifetv.org

All News is Gay News

Village TV is the first 24-hour Internet TV Channel devoted specifically to the information and entertainment of the GLBT audience worldwide. **Jonathan Weeks** and **Rommel Invina** host *The gay news*, with entertainment news by **Leo Buck**, it's a lighthearted, gay frat boy's look at the topics of the day with a decidedly "lavender-colored" slant.



Weeks was named *Village TV*'s official Spokesperson," after beating out 50 other applicants. A former child star, Weeks is said to bring humor, intelligence and charisma to his job as an anchor.

Invina, author of *The Eight-Count Technique for Bottoms*, brings considerable production experience, eclectic sex appeal and a co-anchor to Weeks.

The show will be a fully staffed, professional newscast with all of the titles, graphics and transitions you would expect of any major broadcast news program.

Reporting on the progress and setbacks of gay rights, and the overall status of the gay condition worldwide will be the main goal of Village TV. The program will also cover stories relating to politics, entertainment, travel, and even the weather.

The show will be uncensored, featuring stories and footage that one would not find on other news programs such as nudity and frank photos of the Iraq war.

"It's safe to say that the news has never been covered like this. Mainstream media either ignores gay stories altogether or ignores the 'gay side' of mainstream stories," commented **Corey Chamber**, Executive Producer and *Village TV* President. "Either way," Chambers continues, "the complete story is not being told. *Village TV* tells the whole story." ▼

Info: villagetv.com

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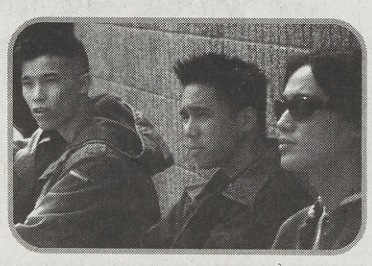

It's one thing to show 'rents who are either distant, always traveling/working, or laden with troubles of their own, but to take them out of the equation altogether negates one of the realities that permeate the film: that Asian American students are pressured by their families to do exceedingly well in school. At one pivotal scene when Virgil screams "My dad is going to kill me!" I thought, who is your dad and why is he letting you stay out this late?

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Out with Pets

Ms. Jery Lacayo, Chair, Mariposa County Democrats, and "Sugar" are greeted by Governor Gray Davis.

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All Dogs Go Through Security Check

Most of us have been subjected to the annoying episode of high security checks but who would guess that pets were included. Jery Lacayo, Chair of Mariposa County Democrats, toted her dog, "sugar" to the Governor Gray Davis' Thank You Party but was quickly asked to pass the cute and furry wonder through surveillance prior to the photo.

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Puppy lovers, canine companions and chow hounds are getting ready for the 2003 summer celebration of all things doggy. Marin-based Second Chance Rescue's third annual fundraiser, the *Canine Wine & Dine* will take place at the Presidio Officer's Club on Saturday, July 19, from 6:30–10pm. The *Canine Wine & Dine* is sponsored by KRON-TV, Petco, 7X7 Magazine, Bark Magazine, Advantage Bayer Corp., Wallop Design, Shonali Burke Public Relations, Deutsche Bank, petote, Nutro and Camp K-9 of Marin.

Deb Kraus founded Second Chance Rescue in 1993. Kraus and her team of volunteers rescue close to 1,000 dogs a year form high-kill shelters, and work with local humane societies, including Marin Humane Society and pet stores to place the dogs in loving homes.

The event will feature food from some of the Bay Area's restaurants, wines, dancing to live music, and a silent auction. ▼

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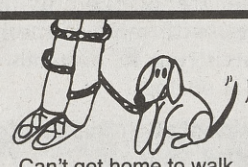

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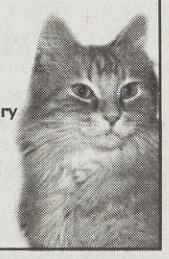

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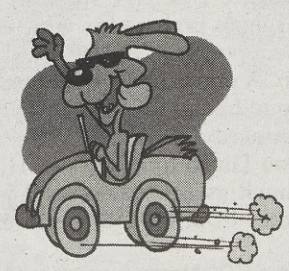

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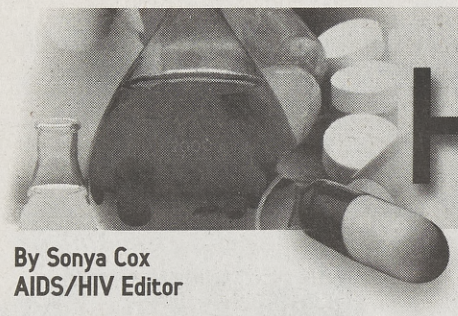

HIV Newsline

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On the HIV Front

By Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

Legislation highlights medical pot issue..

San Francisco Democrat Mark Leno is introducing legislation to the Assembly urging that the President and Congress allow states to control the use of medicinal marijuana within their own borders. The resolution (AJR 13) also calls for oversight hearings on the use of federal Drug Enforcement Administration funds to "harass, prosecute and intimidate" people (a large majority of whom live in California) who use the drug to alleviate pain, control nausea, or regain weight lost due to illness. California voters voted in 1996 to legalize pot for medicinal purposes, but federal agents continue to spend federal tax dollars raiding authorized distribution centers, and prosecuting cooperatives and individuals cultivating plants for medicinal use.

Routine HIV tests endorsed by CDC...

HIV testing should become a routine part of medical care, especially for pregnant women, the Centers for Disease Control said recently. The recommendations to state health departments, although not legally binding, form part of a new strategy aimed at preventing HIV transmission by people who do not know they are infected.

The strategy places HIV on a par with other health problems —such as high cholesterol—for which people are screened once they are suspected to be at risk. "Each year we continue to see about 40,000 new HIV infections domestically," says CDC Director Dr. Julie Gerberding. "We have well over 800,000 people living with HIV in our country, but an estimated 200,000 of these people do not know they are infected....This is an intolerable situation," she said.

The strategy has four main components:

- Routinely offering HIV tests as part of medical appointments in high HIV-prevalence locations, or when a person's personal background makes it likely they are at high risk.
- Making 20-minute rapid HIV tests available in non-medical settings such as jails and homeless shelters.
- Tracing the partners of those found to be HIV-infected and offering them testing and training in prevention.
- Making HIV one of the conditions for which pregnant women are routinely checked, unless they specifically refuse to be tested, and encouraging testing of all newborn children. (About 300 children are born with HIV in the United States each year).

White Party considered syphilis threat...

As Palm Springs geared up for the 30,000 gay partygoers expected at the April "White Party," an annual festival with a reputation for sex and drugs, public health officials and some gay leaders are concerned the event will spread syphilis.

We're nervous that people would take syphilis there, and we're nervous that they're going to bring it home, said the director of STD control in Los Angeles. Cases of syphilis have risen dramatically in the Palm Springs area and throughout California —nearly exclusively among gay and bisexual men. New infectious syphilis cases nearly doubled statewide last year, and Palm Springs, in only one year, went to the top of the list for the nation's highest per capita rates of syphilis, causing the California Department of Health to issue a health alert in late January.

Though treatable with antibiotics, syphilis is even more worrisome for what it signifies: unsafe sex practices that lead to other STDs, among them HIV. In Los Angeles and San Francisco counties, over half of those testing positive for syphilis are HIV-positive.

At the White Party, public health officials and volunteers were out in force promoting syphilis prevention and testing, as well as distributing condoms and lubricant. But officials say the obstacles facing awareness campaigns are enormous. "We're talking about sex addiction, drug addiction, disease, loneliness, isolation, and low self-esteem —lots of it."

Certain words could impact AIDS grants...

Congressional staff members frequently comb the database that lists the titles and abstracts of federally financed grants, looking for topics of concern to the politicians they work for. And researchers who study AIDS and other STDs say they fear the concerns of conservative members of Congress are now being taken more seriously by the federal Dept of Health and Human Services.

Scientists say they have been advised they can avoid unfavorable attention by keeping certain "key words" out of grant applications to the National Institutes of Health and the CDC. Those words, one researcher said, include "sex worker," "men who sleep with men," "anal sex" and "needle exchange."

A University of California researcher whose project concerns gay men and HIV testing said an NIH project officer told him his application "should be 'cleansed' and should not contain any contentious wording like 'gay' or 'homosexual' or 'transgender.'" But when the subjects of the research are gay men, "It's hard not to mention them in your abstract."

Ferries install bins for used needles...

To reduce the risk of hepatitis and HIV, there are now disposal containers in all public restrooms aboard Washington state's 29 ferries, which transport more than 68,000 passengers daily. The red plastic containers, stamped with the biohazard symbol, are the same type used by hospitals, clinics and diabetics. The union for workers who dispose of garbage and clean the restrooms on the ferries began lobbying for the containers five years ago. The new containers will protect them, as well as people who would come on board and reach into trash cans to get the newspapers.

Each year in the U.S., 800,000 people are pricked by used needles, with most of the injuries occurring in hospitals and medical settings.

Experimental combo blocks hepatitis C virus...

Viruses such as influenza are eventually cleared by the body's immune system, but hepatitis C can stay in the body permanently and elude the immune system's various weapons. New experimental compounds, however, may at least help the body fight off this virus' damage, researchers say. According to the CDC, many infected with hepatitis C will develop liver damage, sometimes leading to cirrhosis and liver cancer. But recent studies done by separate teams in the U.S. and Canada have found that the antiviral drug ribavirin, when used with alpha interferon, can help some people control hepatitis C.

HIV rates 10 times higher in Canadian prisons...

HIV and hepatitis C infection rates in Canada's federal prisons are rising, and are at least 10 times higher than in the general population, says a recent Canadian government report. The rates are significantly higher among female inmates ^ close to 5 percent have HIV and more than 40 percent have hepatitis C. Since only about one-quarter of all inmates undergo voluntary testing, the document said, these rates are likely under-reported.

Most of the infections are likely caused by sexual contact and sharing needles to inject drugs, the report says. A committee set up by the Correctional Services of Canada four years ago recommended starting a needle exchange program within the prison walls, but there are currently no plans to do that.

Fairfax cancels student survey on sex & drugs...

The company hired to administer a controversial survey asking Fairfax County, Virginia students about their experiences with topics such as alcohol, drugs, sex, suicide, smoking, weight loss, and family relationships, has canceled it because of fears of lawsuits from parents. The survey was designed to measure risky behaviors among 6th, 8th, 10th, and 12th-graders, and was to have been given to 10,000 randomly selected students throughout the county. Questions about sexual behavior were to only be asked of sophomores and seniors, and survey participation was to be on a voluntary basis.

But a similar survey given in New Jersey resulted in parents suing the company that distributed the questionnaires without parental permission, and Virginia was unwilling to offer any lawsuit protections to the company planning the upcoming Fairfax survey.

HIV in migrant workers studied...

Mexican migrants who journey between Tijuana and San Diego to work as day laborers are the focus of a joint Mexico-U.S. HIV study to help officials prepare for what could be a potential public health crisis. A preliminary study last year found that Mexican men who regularly cross the border into San Diego have rates of HIV as much as four times as high as rates in other California cities.

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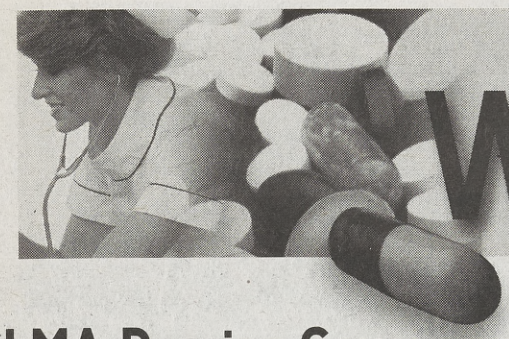

Health + Wellness

GLMA Decries Government CENSORSHIP of LGBT Health Research

The Gay and Lesbian Medical Association (GLMA) represents the interests of thousands of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender physicians, medical students, and other health professionals as well as millions of GLBT patients throughout North America. The largest organization of its kind, GLMA was founded in 1981 to make the health care environment a place o f equity, justice and empathy.

Kenneth Haller, MD, President of GLMA, stated, "According to our sources, e-mails to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) are being screened for sensitive keywords such as 'commercial sex workers,' 'needle exchange,' 'men having sex with men,' 'prostitutes,' 'transgender,' and 'harm reduction,' and some program staff have been reprimanded for 'inappropriate language.' In addition titles and abstracts of NIH grants are being screened for similar key words."

According to Haller, much of the driving force behind these inquiries lies outside these agencies. "There have apparently been cases of NIH and CDC officials being approached by Congressional staffers who asked why certain grants were funded, as well as cases in which specific NIH grants that involved commercial sex workers or transgender persons were targeted with the apparent intent of proving that these studies are promoting 'unfavorable' or 'unsafe' lifestyles with federal taxpayers' dollars."

While it has not been unusual in the past for individual members of Congress to engage in such inquiries for various reasons, the level of scrutiny has become pervasive, according to many researchers.

"Researchers in various fields have contacted GLMA about this," said Haller. "Many have been advised by their project officers to avoid 'sensitive' terms in the titles of their grants if they expect to get funding."

In confidential communications, researchers have told GLMA that, while there is no written policy, staffers at government health funding agencies "have been leaking info to me, you, others" that indicates that this screening is taking place "with the apparent intent to prove that these studies are promoting 'unfavorable' or 'unsafe' lifestyles with federal taxpayers' dollars."

"Needless to say, this is very upsetting to the GLBT medical and research communities," said GLMA President Haller. "Over the past few years mounting research has shown that sexual-minority persons have many health concerns not shared by the larger community.

For the Federal government to effectively strip researchers not just of their funding but even their language is to shove GLBT health research back into the closet." ▼

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The new five-year study, tracking both HIV and tuberculosis, will be the largest-ever collaboration between Mexican and U.S. officials on infectious diseases. Creating programs on prevention and treatment in a non-English population that has limited access to health care will be a challenge, but will hopefully derail a potential epidemic among Mexico's poorest families.

China's AIDS villages could be devastated by SARS...

Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome coupled with AIDS could wipe out huge segments of the population in China's AIDS villages," Chinese and international health officials say. More than 1 million people in the country's central Henan province alone contracted HIV from selling blood in unsanitary collection stations beginning in the mid-1980s. Henan is worst hit by HIV, but 22 other provinces also have AIDS villages, including Shanxi in the north, which is now reporting 141 cases of SARS thus far. "If SARS hits HIV areas, that will decimate all the people who are HIV-positive right away," said a UNICEF spokesman."The death rate of SARS now is four percent, but if it gets to AIDS villages, it could be at least 30 to 40 percent."

Awareness of SARS and its dangers appears low among villagers. Migrant workers from the villages, fearful of SARS, are beginning to return home from major cities—possibly bringing SARS with them. The World Health Organization says the death toll from SARS in China had risen to 86, with nearly 2000 confirmed cases as of the end of April.

Officials have endorsed isolating people with SARS, and even placing suspected cases in quarantine early on, to prevent the spread of the disease. "We are just beginning to learn how it is transmitted, the nature of virus.... It is very difficult to mount a policy of treatment and prevention." ▼

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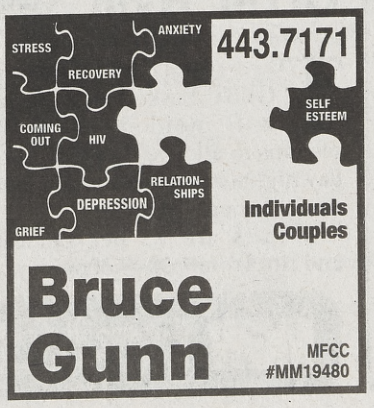

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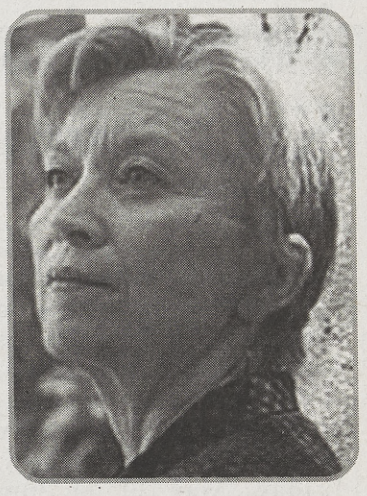

Marcia Howe passed away from lung disease in her Davis home on Sunday, April 20, at the age of 53.

Born in Governor, New York, September 18, 1949, Howe grew up an Army brat in New York, Germany, Maryland and California. She was an exceptional environmentalist, outspoken advocate of GLBT issues, and a mother, a sister, and friend to many.

Marcia will be remembered for her ambitious fundraising and her commitment to the citizens of Redding and Davis. She was co-founder of Carter House Natural Science Museum in Redding.

"She was a very strong person," said Redding Attorney, **Dennis Cowan**, a trustee who assisted Howe on many projects, "The project was advised to not fundraise above 6 million dollars."

In June, along with a team of volunteers and staff, Howe raised over 60 million dollars for the Redding museum.

"This all came from Marcia's dream, I used to call her the 'mother of turtle bay.' She didn't like me doing that, but it was true," said Cowan in remembrance of the Carter House Museum.

In 1999, her former husband **Gary Matson** and his partner **Winfield Mowder** were murdered in their home of Happy Valley. Redding brothers, **Matthew Williams** and **James Williams** were found guilty of the hate crime. Matthew Williams committed suicide last year in jail while his younger brother, Tyler, pleaded guilty to all hate crime charges.

Following this monstrous incident fueled by hatred, Howe decided to become involved in GLBT rights and acted as a spokesperson for tolerance. "Our goal is to prevent anyone from going through what our family is going through," said Howe during the primary murder trial.

"Marcia took after our mother, who was also a spunky liberal," said Howe's sister, **Sandra Larson**. "She did what she believed in, and did things with a purpose," adds Howe's daughter, **Clea Matson**. ▼

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Monarchs Running Away with Sacramentans' Hearts

By Mary O'Neal
MGW Staff

The Monarchs will play their sole home pre-season game on Thursday, May 15, versus the Settle Storm at 7pm at Arco Arena. The Sacramento Monarchs will host the Phoenix Mercury on Opening Night, Friday, May 30, at 7pm at Arco Arena. This will be the first of seventeen home games for the Monarchs. Sacramento's regular season will begin on the road on Thursday, May 22, against the Phoenix Mercury.

In 2002, the Monarchs sold out Opening Night, versus the Minnesota Lynx, marking their first sell-out in Monarchs history. Attendance figures for the Monarchs grew from 8,350 in 2001 to 9,011 in 2002, an eight- percent increase in attendance, the third highest percentage increase in the league.

Last year, the Monarchs finished the second half of the season very strong by winning a league-best 11 of 14 games. The final game of 2002 saw the triumphant return of Guard **Edna Campbell** who saw her first action of the season after receiving treatment for breast cancer. In that game, versus the Seattle Storm, Campbell played for 12 minutes, scoring four points.

Several Monarchs earned places in the record books during the 2002 season. Four-time WNBA All-Star Point Guard **Ticha Penicheiro** led the league in assists, averaging 8.0 assists per game and ranked third in the league in steals per game with an average of 2.67 steals. **Lady Grooms** finished the season sixth in the league in free-throw percentage with an average of .855 form the line. **Tangela Smith**'s 1.44 blocks per game rank her fifth in the league in shooting.

The 2003 schedule will feature the Monarchs three times on national television, three times on ESPN2 (June 5 at Los Angeles, July 31 vs. Los Angeles and Aug. 7 at San Antonio) and once on Oxygen (June 24 vs. San Antonio).

On Saturday, June 7, and Thursday, July 31, the Monarchs will take on Western Conference rivals and two-time WNBA Champion Los Angeles Sparks at 7pm at Arco Arena. Penicheiro tied her league record of 16 assists, Forward Griffith scored a season-high 28 points (including a season-high 12 free-throws) and a season-high of 15 rebounds (Aug. 3), and Guard Lady Grooms scored a career-high 15 points (Aug. 3).

Sacramento will face the four-time WNBA Champion Houston Comets at home on July 19 and August 21 at 7pm. The New York Liberty, a team often played by the Monarchs on the road, will face off with Sacramento at ARCO Arena on July 24 at 7pm.

For this season, the Monarchs announced that the organization has selected **DeMya Walker** as the fifth in the WNBA Dispersal Draft.

The 6'4" forward played for the last three seasons with the Portland Fire. Walker averaged 10.0 points per game and 5.0 rebounds per game. Walker ranked tenth in the WNBA in field-goal percentage (.484).

Walker currently holds the record at the University of Virginia for the most blocked shots in a season (95) and a career (247) and is Virginia's all-time leader in the field goal percentage (.557).

They traded their third round pick in exchange for **Andrea Nagy**, and traded their third round pick in exchange for **Cass Bauer-Bilodeau**.

Also, the team selected **Chantelle Anderson** from Vanderbilt University as the second pick in the first round of the draft. At 6'6" center from Vancouver, Wash., Anderson was named to the Associated Press All-America Second Team in 2003 and was also selected as a Top 20 finalist for her 2003 Naismith Award, All-SEC First Ten (2003, 2002,2001) and All-SEC Second Team (2000). Anderson is Vanderbilt's all-time scorer (2,604) and in 2000-01, she led the NCAA in field goal percentage (.723), making 292 field goals in 404 attempts, only four of which were three-point field goals. ▼

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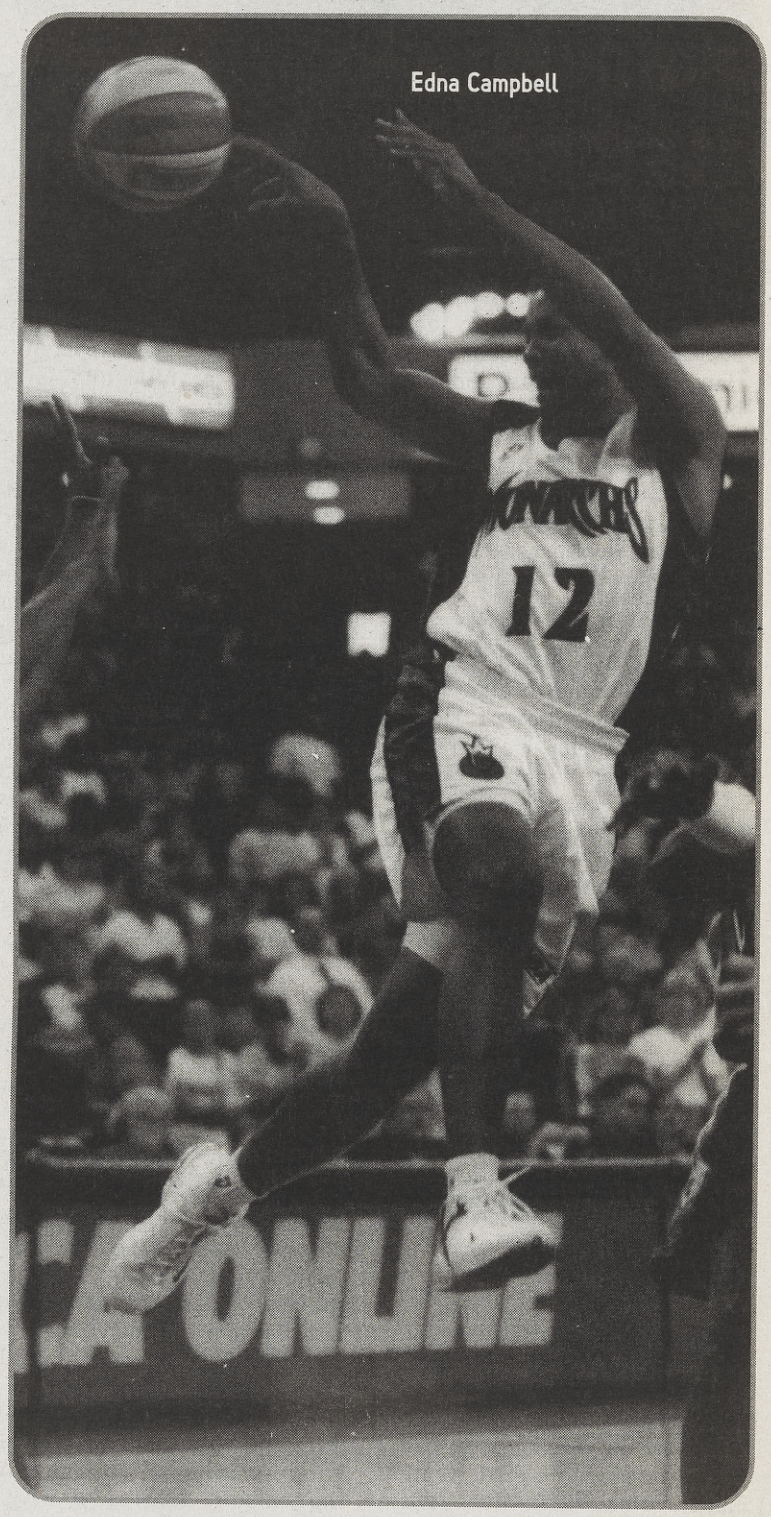

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Capital City Hoopsters Offer Gym Sessions

The Capitol City Hoopsters GLBT Basketball League will hold open gym sessions to all levels every Monday night (except holidays) from April through October.

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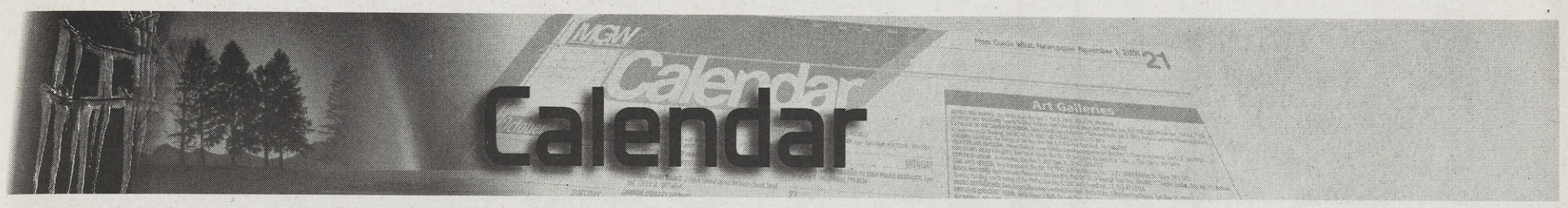

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MAY

1 THURSDAY

POPULAR MUSICAL; 8pm, Pinky Goes to Hell Toupee. Til' May 3. Drawpinky.com

PFLAG RECEPTION; Inaugural Mother's Day Congressional Reception, 6-8pm, U.S. Capitol, Room HC5.
(202) 467-8180, x222.

PARIDISE BEACH NATURE HIKE; 8am -12noon; info: 489-4918

EQUALITY FORUM GLBT symposium 5/1-5/4, Philadelphia. equalityforum.com

"BEING GAY TODAY," 10pm; cable access channel 73 (Sac.)

3rd ANNUAL DESIGNER SHOWCASE HOUSE; 10am-3pm, May1 til' May 11. 437-1649

2 FRIDAY

YUBA SUTTER CHILDREN'S MUSICAL 5/2-5/18 Friday and Saturday shows at 8pm, Andros Karperos Middle School, 1666 Camino Del Flores Yuba City; info: 530-713-5577

EQUALITY FORUM; Jim In Bold, a documentary on gay teens, 9:00pm, the Kimmel Center for Performing Art in Philadelphia; 215-732-3378

"BEING GAY TODAY," 2pm; cable access channel 73 (Sac.)

BEER TASTING; Davis Food Co-op, 6-8pm, 620 G Street. 530-758-2667

LLACE READING/NON-READING GROUP; 7-8pm, Every 1st Friday of the month. 1414 21st St. lavenderlibrary.org

3 SATURDAY

SAC SYMPHONY LEAGUE SPRING GARDEN TOUR; Arden Oaks Neighborhood, May 3 &4, 10am-5pm. Info: 557-9289

SACRAMENTO CIVIL WAR EVENT ;10:30am-5:30pm and 9:30am-3pm on Sunday, Sacramento's Gibson Ranch County Park 8556 Gibson Ranch Road, Elverta; 991-2686

"BEING GAY TODAY," 6am; cable access channel 73 (Sac.)

FORD T DRIVING SEMINAR, 9am-5pm; Towe Auto Museum, 2200 Front St., 442-6802; toweautomuseum.org

GERANIUM SHOW & SALE, Carmichael Geranium Society, 10am-3pm; 5750 Grant Ave., Carmichael, 332-1493

SACRAMENTO SIRENS; Sirens vs. Southern California Bladez. 1pm at Capital Christian High School. sacraimentosirens.com

SISTERS OF SCOTA RIDE, 10am; 725-9467; sistersofscotawmc.org

DAVIS BAND; Impromptu Noise, 7pm, Common Grounds, 2171 Cowell Blvd., Davis. 530-756-8260

4 SUNDAY

LYSISTRATA PEACE PROJECT; 1pm, Unitarian Universalist Society, 2425 Sierra Blvd. 922-9774

POEMS & WRITING HEAL; at 6pm,Unitarian Universalist Society, 2425 Sierra Blvd; 481-3312

LESBIAN AND GAY LIFE PARTNERS, 5pm; Lambda Community Center, 19th & L St., 276-3273

SAC. VALLEY LEATHERMEN PANCAKE BREAKFAST, 10am; Faces, 2000 K St., 486-5550

SISTERS OF SCOTA RIDE, 10am; 725-9467, sistersofscotawmc.org

CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION & BENEFIT; 5:30-10pm at Vizcaya, 2019 21st St. handtohand.com

CSUS CONCERT; 8pm, St. Ignatius Church, 3235 Arden Way. 278-4323

5 MONDAY

CAPITOL CITY HOOPSTERS; open gym sessions, Rizal Community Center, 7320 Florin Mall Drive. Hoopsacramento.com

6 TUESDAY

SAC BALLET; Modern Masters, University Theatre, CSUS campus. 1552-5800

LAS VEGAS PRIDE; Celebration starts May 6-10. Lasvegaspride.org

HOME GARDNER BENEFIT; 10am-3pm, 7700 Center Parkway. 224-0198

8 THURSDAY

1st ANNUAL FILM FESTIVAL, 7:00pm, Abbott & Costello in Hollywood , 2200 Front St. 442-6802

MACY'S BENEFIT SHOPPING, all day event, Roseville Macy's; 914-6266

"BEING GAY TODAY," 10pm; cable access channel 73 (Sac.)

HEALTH FAIR;10am-3pm, Sacramento Convention Center. cityofsacramento.org/wellness

9 FRIDAY

"BEING GAY TODAY," 2pm; cable access channel 73 (Sac.)

SHRINE CIRCUS, thru May 11; Sac. Memorial Auditorium, 264-5181

SELECTED SILENT COMEDY SHORTS, Dave Moreno on the Wurlitze. 2200 Front St 442-6802

ANIMALIA; Music for piano, 7:30pm. Woodland Opera House, 340 Second St. Woodland. Wohltheatre.org

10 SATURDAY

I LOVE LUCY; Mother's Day Dinner theme, 11am & 5pm, 12401 Folsom Blvd. Rancho Cordova. 985-6361

OPENING RECEPTION; Chris Botta, 6-9pm, Exploding Head Gallery, 924 12th Street. 442-8424

11th ANNUAL MAIL FOOD DRIVE; place non-perishable food in your mailbox for letter carrier pickup. 925-5080

DISNEY'S The Love Bug, 7pm at Towe Auto Museum. 2200 Front St. 442-6802

ARTIST MARKUS BLAUS; 7-9pm, Open Book, 910 21st St. openbookltd.com/events

ARTIST MARKUS BLAUS; 7-9pm, 2nd Saturday Art, Open Book, 910 21st St. openbookltd.com/events

AUTHOR LUCY JANE BLEDSOE; 7pm, Open Book, 910 21st St. openbookltd.com/events

RON WILIMOT BIKE RIDE FOR PROJECT INFORM; 10am, Golden Gate Park, SF; projectinform.org

CANINE CRAZE; 8am-12Noon, 5750 Grant Ave. Carmichael Park; 485-5322

GARDEN TOUR 5/10-5/11 10am-4pm, David Lubin Elementary, 3535 M St.; eastsacgardentour.com

AIDS BENEFIT PLANT SALES, 18th & J St., 8am-4pm, 224-0198

"BEING GAY TODAY," 6am; cable access channel 73 (Sac.)

BUICK-CHEVROLET SERVICE & REPAIR SEMINAR, 9am-5pm; Towe Auto Museum, 2200 Front St. toweautomuseum.org

ELIZABETH SIMS, 7pm; The Open Book, 910 21st St., 498-1004

LUCY JANE BLEDSOE, 7pm; The Open Book, 910 21st St. openbookltd.com

SISTERS OF SCOTA RIDE, 10am; sistersofscotawmc.org

SIRENS FOOTBALL; vs. California Quake, 1pm at Capital Christian High School. sacramentosirens.com

MOTHER'S DAY SALE; 18th & J Streets, near Gifted Gardner. All day. Aidsplantsale.home.att.net

THE BUTCH THOMPSON TRIO; 7:30pm, Woodland Opera House, 340 Second Street, Woodland. Wohltheatre.org

IN FULL COLOR; 2nd Saturday event. Phoenix Framing &Gallery, 1901 Capitol Ave. Sacramento. 447-1632

MOW DOWN AIR POLLUTION; 7th Annual event. smud.org

11 SUNDAY

NATIONAL WOMEN'S HEALTH WEEK

AIDS BENEFIT PLANT SALES, 18th & J St., 8am-4pm, 224-0198

SISTERS OF SCOTA RIDE, 10am; 725-9467. sistersofscotawmc.org

12 MONDAY

SACRAMENTO LIBRARY BOOK SALE; 1pm-9:00pm ,Cluny Clubhouse on Alhambra blvd at F St. til'Sat., 5/17 from 10am-8:00pm

MORRIE LANSBERG MEMORIAL BOOK SALE, til' May 18; Sac. Public Library, 828 I St. saclibrary.org

13 TUESDAY

FRIENDS OF SAC LIBRARY; til' May 18, 10am-8pm; Clunie Clubhouse, Alhambra & F St., 489-8988

CMEN SPRING NUDIST GATHERING, thru 18th; 1-877-NUDIST-1

"TEA AND SYMPATHY," 7 pm; LLACE, 1414 21 St. lavenderlibrary.org

DARRELL STEINBERG FUNDRAISER; 6-8pm, 6399 South Land Park Drive. 444-1186

15 THURSDAY

SAC MONARCHS VS. SEATTLE STORM; 7pm, Arco Arena. 419-WNBA

SAC L.E.G.A.L. SPRING MEMBERSHIP EVENT; May 15, 5:30-8:30pm, Euro-Asia Bistro, 2516 J Street, Sacramento. saclegal.net

"BEING GAY TODAY," 10pm; cable access channel 73 (Sac.)

AUTHOR PENNY MICKELBURY; 7pm, Open Book, 910 21st St. openbookltd.com/events

POET JOE ARCANELLINI; 7pm, Open Book, 910 21st St. openbookltd.com/events

16 FRIDAY

MARK WIEGLE; 7pm, The Open Book, 910 21st St., 498-1004

GROWL, HOWL & WHINE; 6-10pm, Folsom Community Center, 52 Natoma Street, Folsom. 359-7642

RENAISSANCE ART & WINE FESTIVAL; Yamshon Alumni Center on the CSUS campus; 444-1615

"BEING GAY TODAY," 2pm; cable access channel 73 (Sac.)

SINGER MARK WEIGLE; 7pm, Open Book, 910 21st St. openbookltd.com/events

17 SATURDAY

STOCKTON BLUES FESTIVAL; Los Lobos, 10am, Weber Point, Stockton. fireonthemountain.com

FESTIVAL SEASON KICKS OFF; May 17-18 in Mountain View. miramaraevents.com

DAVID MAHR; performance at 7pm, The Open Book, 910 21st St., 498-1004

"On the Top," SAC MASTERS SINGERS; 8pm on Friday May 17th and 3pm, Saturday May 18th ;St. Francis of Assisi Church. 338-0300

"BEING GAY TODAY," 6am; channel 73 (Sac.)

FEATS OF CLAY EXCURSION & LUNCH, Dykes Out Together, Morning; 971-9337

ORGANIC GARDENING SHOW & SALE, Organic Gardening Club, 10am-3pm; 5750 Grant Ave., Carmichael, 721-0920

PACO GATSBY JAZZ BAND, 7:30pm; Congregation Beth Shalom, 4746 El Camino Ave., Carmichael, 485-4478

PINOCHLE & POTLUCK, Dykes Out Together, 5pm; 489-9039

SISTERS OF SCOTA RIDE, 10am; sistersofscotawmc.org

PERFORMER DAVID MAHR; 7pm, Open Book, 910 21st St. openbookltd.com/events

HOME GARDNER BENEFIT; 10am-3pm, 7700 Center Parkway. 224-0198

18 SUNDAY

SACRAMENTO YOUTH SYMPHONY; 3pm, Bert Chappell Theater of Hiram Johnson High School; 731-5777

22 THURSDAY

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS; Monarchs vs. Phoenix Mercury, 7pm, America West Arena. 419-WNBA

AUTHOR CARLA TRUJILLO; 7pm, The Open Book, 910 21st St., 498-1004

23 FRIDAY

IN THE LIFE SERIES; Channel 6 KVIE, 11pm.

COUPLES BY THE GOLDEN GATE Memorial Day weekend. sfcouples.com/convention/index.htm

24 SATURDAY

SACRAMENTO SIRENS; Sirens vs. Arizona Caliente. Sacramentosirens.com

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS; Monarchs vs. Minnesota Lynx, 5pm. Target Center. 419-WNBA

25 SUNDAY

THE OPEN BOOK'S SPRING FAIR; 7pm, The Open Book, 910 21st St., 498-1004

28 WEDNESDAY

CHEVY CHAMPIONS ON ICE 25th ANNIVERSARY TOUR; Arco Arena, 7pm; 928-6900

30 FRIDAY

HOPLAND WOMEN'S FESTIVAL May 30-June 1 Full Moon Ranch, Hopland. hoplandwomensfestival.com

SAC MONARCHS TO HOST PHOENIX; 7pm, Arco Arena. 928-8126

CINEMARENO; Director's cut of "Cinema Paradiso," 7:30pm in the Sierra Room at the Reno Hilton. cinemareno.org

31 SATURDAY

G.L.A.A.D. Awards Ceremony, Honoring Stockard Channing. The Westin St. Francis, San Francisco, 7pm. Info: glaad.org

SACRAMENTO SIRENS; Sirens vs. California Quake. Sacramentosirens.com

8th ANNUAL GARDEN TOUR BENEFIT; May 31-June 1. 498-1004

PET FIRST AID WORKSHOP; 11am-3pm, SPCA, 243 Alabama Street@16th, San Francisco. sfspca.org

JUNE

1 SUNDAY

SUNDANCE CHANNEL; Annual Out Loud Film Festival, til'June 28. Sundancechannel.com

MURDER MYSTERY DINNERS; every Sunday in June, Archbishop's Mansion, 1000 Fulton Street. San Francisco. incentivesonintrigue.com

Theatre/Dance/Orchestra

AMERICAN RIVER THEATRE; The Darker Face of the Earth, Apr. 25-May 4; 4700 College Oak Dr. 484-8234. Now accepting applications for the American River College Theater Program at the Music Circus. Deadline May 16, 446-5880

CALIFORNIA MUSICAL THEATER; Les Miserables, Apr. 23-May 4; Mamma Mia!, June 4-15; Cats, July 8-20; The World Goes 'Round, July 22-27; Damn Yankees, July 29-Aug. 3; Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Aug. 5-10; Brigadoon, Aug. 12-17; The Will Rogers Follies, Aug. 19-24; Ragtime, Aug. 26-31; 1419 H St., 557-1999

CALIFORNIA STAGE COMPANY; Better Places to Go, 7pm, through May 3, 1723 25th St., 916-484-4742

CHAUTAUQUA THEATRE; In the Sweet Bye and Bye, Apr. 18-May 24; 5325 Engle Rd., Carmichael, 489-7529

CITY THEATRE AT SACRAMENTO CITY COLLEGE; 3835 Freeport Blvd., 558-2228, www.scc.losrios.edu

DALE SCHOLL DANCE/ART; Dancespace, Solano Hall 1010, CSUS, 6000 J St., 278-4323, www.tickets.com

FOOTHILL THEATRE COMPANY; Bad Axe; April 25 thru May 25, Nevada Theatre, 401 Broad Street, Nevada City, 530-265-9320

GARBEAU'S DINNER THEATRE; Ain't Misbehavin', thru May 18; The King and I, May 23-July 20; 985-6361

GEARY THEATRE; Urinetown, The Musical, July 16; 405 Geary St., SF, 415-749-2228

GEERY THEATRE; Girl Meets Girl April 4 thru May 3, 8pm; 2130 L St.; info: 484-4742

MAGIC THEATRE; The Lonesome West, June 13-July 6; Love and Taxes, June 20-July 13; Ft. Mason Center, Landmark Bldg. D, SF, 415-771-5505, www.magictheatre.org

NEW CONSERVATORY THEATRE CENTER; Mysterious Skin May 3 thru June 28; White Disabled Talent, Apr. 19-27; Love Notes, thru Aug.10; www.nctcsf.org

PLAYWRIGHTS THEATRE; M Butterfly, CSUS campus, running May 1 thru 11, Fridays and Saturdays at 8pm, 2pm on Sundays. Info: 278-4323

SACRAMENTO BALLET; Modern Masters, May 6-9, University Theater at CSUS; 552-5800, www.sacballet.org

SACRAMENTO THEATRE COMPANY STAGE TWO; Jodie's Body, April 11 thru May 4, 7:00pm; info: 446-7501

SACRAMENTO JAZZ SOCIETY; Styles of Traditional Jazz, thru May; Tsakapoulos Library Galleria

THE STUDIO THEATRE; My Name Will Always Be Alice, playing thru May 18, Tue/Wed. 6:30pm and Sunday, 2pm; 1028 R St.; info: thestudiotheatre.net

T STREET THEATRE; Visiting Mr. Green, Friday and Saturdays April 18 thru May 10 at 8pm, The Times and Trials of Clarence Darrow, Fridays and Saturdays, June 27 thru July 13 at 8pm, 4623 T St.; info: 264-8890

THEATRE RHINOCEROS; Sleeping with Straight Men, August 28 thru October 4, Worse then Chocolate, October 16 thru November 8, Christmas with the Crawfords, November 20 thru January 3, 2004. A Love Story, May 8-June 7; 2926 16th St., SF, 415-861-5079, www.therhino.org

TRINITY CHAMBER CONCERTS; Usher-Ehrlich-Rosenak Piano Quartet, May 10; Chamberlain String Quartet, May 24; Esfir Ross, June 7; Tom Heasley, June 21; Trinity Chapel, 2320 Dana St., Berkeley, 510-549-3864

UC DAVIS PRESENTS; Edward O Wilson, May 5; St Martin in the Fields, May 9; Margaret Cho, May 11; Apasionada, May 16-17; 530-757-3199

THE WOODLAND OPERA HOUSE; The Lone Star Love Potion, May 23-June 22; 340 Second St., Woodland, 530-666-9617

Art Galleries

AMERICAN CONSERVATORY THEATRE; Deborah Barlow: Paintings, thru June 8; Elizabeth Mead: Sculpture & Scenography, June 24-July 27; 30 Grant St., SF, 415-439-2437, www.act-sf.org

CA. PALACE OF THE LEGION OF HONOR; Leonardo da Vinci and the Splendor of Poland, thru May 18; Frank Lobdell: The Continuity of Creativity, thru May 25; Henry Moore: Celebrating a Gift, thru Aug. 31; Big Prints: Contemporary American Graphic Art, 1967-2000, thru Aug. 31; 100 34th Ave., SF, 415-750-3614, www.famsf.org

CHROMA GALLERY; "Emergence" Show opens April 12-May 4; 10030 Fair Oaks Blvd., Fair Oaks. Info: 966-6020

CROCKER ART MUSEUM; Great Masters of Mexican Folk Art from the Collection of Fomento Cultural Banamex, May 23-July 27; Seven Centuries of Southeast Asian Ceramics, thru May 25; Just Another Poster? Chicano Graphic Arts in California, June 20-Sept. 14; 216 O St., 264-5423 www.crockerartmuseum.org

EXPLODING HEAD GALLERY; Clarence Major, Nina Else, Richard Downs, Apr. 3-May 3; 924 12th St., 442-8424

ALEXIS GENUNG STUDIOS; Group Show, thru Apr. 10; 910-15th St., 444-7455, www.alexgenung.com

LAVENDER LIBRARY, ARCHIVES & CULTURAL EXCHANGE (LLACE); 1414 21st St., 492-0558

MATRIXARTS; Peep Show, Apr. 12-May 3; 1518 Del Paso Blvd., 454-4988

SF MOMA; Sculpture: Film into Art, Apr. 5-Aug. 3; Apr. 19-Aug. 24; Andreas Gursky, thru June 1; Paul Klee, thru June 8; ROY/design series 1, Philip Guston Retrospective, June 28-Sept. 28; Marc Chagall, July 26-Nov. 4; 002 SECA Art Award, thru July 27; Reagan Louie: Sex in Asia, Aug. 23-Jan. 11, Diane Arbus: Revelations, Oct. 25-Feb. 8; Romare Bearden, Feb 7-May 16; 151 3rd St., SF, 415-357-4000

SOLOMON DUBNICK; Abstract Reality: D.L. Thomas, Richard Duning, Carol Mangan, Laura Hohlwein, Marilyn Kuksht, Gordon Goodban, Apr. 10-May 3; Myron Stephens, John Bowler, Jeri Hise, May 8-June 7; From Arizona to California: John Tuomisto-Bell, John Nelson, June 12-July 5; Clay Connections: Melody Evans, Stephanie Taylor, Eric Dahlin, Thomas Orr, Rimas VisGirda, Fred Gordon, Tom Rippon, Nora Pineda, July 10-Aug. 2; 2131 Northrup, 920-4547, www.sdgallery.com

TOWE AUTO MUSEUM; Centennial Celebration of the Ford Motor Company, thru July 31; 2200 Front St., 442-6802, www.toweautomuseum.org

TOWER FRAMING & DESIGN GALLERY; Stroke and Follow Through, Apr. 11-May 3; Alex Pardee, May 8-June 7; 2131 Northrop, Suite B, 923-6204

20th ST. ART GALLERY; Frank Zamora-Mentor and Mentees: Frank Zamora, R. Marcellino, Bob Appleman, Jim Ferry, Patris, A. Fourie, N. Vismara, Rod Swenson, Apr. 9-May 3; 911 20th St., 930-0500

UPTOWN STUDIOS; The Sisterhood with Alix Olson, May 7, 7pm. 2nd Saturday Art Show, 6-9pm, May 10. uptownstudios.net

VIEWPOINT GALLERY; 5th Annual fine print auction and drawing; April 11-May 31, second Saturday reception May 10, 5:30-8:30pm, 551 Sequoia Pacific Blvd. Sacramento; info:viewpoint gallery.org

WEINSTEIN GALLERY; Odd Nerdrum exhibit May 16 thru August 15 10am-7pm 253 Grant Ave. San Francisco info: 415-397-6177

3 TUESDAY

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS; Monarchs vs. Seattle Storm. Key Arena,7pm. 419-WNBA

4 WEDNESDAY

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS; Monarchs vs. Los Angeles Sparks, Staples Center,7pm. 419-WNBA

MURDER MYSTERY DINNERS; every Sunday in June, Archbishop's Mansion, 1000 Fulton Street. San Francisco. incentivesonintrigue.com

7 SATURDAY

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS; 6:30pm, Meet at Club 21 for carpool & social hour. Monarchs vs. Los Angeles Sparks,7pm, Arco Arena. 419-WNBA

SPRING CLEARANCE; June 7-8, 7507 Alma Vista Way and 7700 Center Parkway, 9-4pm.

9 MONDAY

5th ANNUAL BILL BEAN, JR. GOLF TOURNAMENT, 264-5239

10 TUESDAY

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS; Monarchs vs. Houston Comets, 5:30pm, Compaq Center. 419-WNBA

11 WEDNESDAY

BRENT HARTINGER; 7pm, Author appearance. Open Book, 910 21st St. 498-1004.

12 THURSDAY

EYC NATURE HIKE; 8:00am-12Noon; 1:30pm . Ancil Hoffman Park; 489-4918

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS; Monarchs vs. Minnesota Lynx, 7pm, Arco Arena. 419-WNBA

AUTHOR KAREN X TULCHINSKY; 7pm, Open Book, 910 21st St. 498-1004.

13 FRIDAY

STRESS TEST; Surreal comedy, Luna's Café, 1414 16th St. 922-9774

IN BED WITH CHUCK AND LOIS; comedy, Free Spirit Yoga Studio, 2629 Alta Arden Way. 922-9774

14 SATURDAY

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS; Monarchs vs. Indiana Fever, 7pm, Arco Arena. 419-WNBA

2ND SATURDAY ART; Reception, 6-10pm. Open Book 910 21st St. 498-1004

15 SUNDAY

ENDANGERED SPECIES HIKE; 1:30pm. Ancil Hoffman Park; 489-4918

MONTHLY SALE; Gifted Gardner, 18th and J Streets, 10-4pm. Aidsplantsale.home.att.net

MURDER MYSTERY DINNERS; every Sunday in June, Archbishop's Mansion, 1000 Fulton Street. San Francisco. incentivesonintrigue.com

17 TUESDAY

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS; vs. New York Liberty, 4:30pm, Madison Square Garden. 419-WNBA

18 WEDNESDAY

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS; vs. Washington Mystics, 4pm, MCI Center. 419-WNBA

SUBMITTING CALENDAR ITEMS

Calendar items should be typewritten and received at least two weeks before publication. Event sponsors must be nonprofit organizations.

Please include:

Name of the event
Times and dates
Event location and address
Name of sponsoring organization
Phone numbers and URL's

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Concerts in The Park, 442-2500	May 2—August 15 2003
Sacramento Jazz Jubilee, sacjazz.com.	May 2003
Sacramento Freedom Fair, 442-0185.	June 14 , 2003
San Francisco Lesbian & Gay Film Festival, 415-703-8650.	June , 2003
Los Angeles Pride Parade, www.lapride.org	June 22, 2003
San Francisco Pride Parade, 415-864-0831, sfpride.org.	June 28—29, 2003
Sweden Gay Pride, www.visit-sweden.com	July 30—August 3, 2003
Montreal's GLBT Celebration, diversite.org	August 2003
Michigan Womyn's Music Festival, 231-757-4766.	August 2003
Provincetown GLBT Family Week, 619-296-0199, familypride.org.	August 2003
Sacramento Sierra Stampede, 978-4040	August 2003
Sacramento Rainbow Festival 2003, 448-7798	Labor Day Weekend
Chico Pride Festival, chicopride2001@hotmail.com	September 2003
S.F. Folsom Street Fair, 415-861-3247	September 2002
Sacramento Valley Aids Walk	September 2003
National Public Lands Day	September 20, 2003
Palm Springs Short Film Festival, www.palm-springs.org	September 16, 2003

Adoptions
Family Alliance, 9719 Lincoln Village Dr. Ste. 401, 364-8914

AIDS Services
Breaking Barriers, 1722 J St., #321, 447-AIDS
C.A.R.E.S., 1500 21 St., 443-3299
Hand to Hand Foundation, 1500 21st St., 443-3299 ext. 6265/6266
Heart to Heart Emotional Support Group, 386-2504
Metropolitan Community Center For AIDS, 1722 J St. #8, 447-2444
Names Project, AIDS Memorial Quilt, 3104 O St., PMB 357, ozinsac@aol.com, 484-5646

Associations
Alcoholics Anonymous, 2631B Riverside Blvd., Dan, 486-0331, Karla, 568-6714
Capital City Hoopsters, gaybasketball.com
Capital City Squares, CapitalCitySqrs@aol.com, 929-8697
CAP PAC, Capitol Political Action Committee, 736-2722
Female to Male Sac., 646-1417, kpboxer@yahoo.com
FrontRunners & Walkers, 974-8199, frontrunners.org
Gay Fathers of Sac., 484-5636
Gay & Lesbian Sierrans, gls_motherlode@yahoo.com
Lambda Letters Project, 728-1261, lambdalp@aol.com
LLACE, (GLBT Library & Archives), 1414 21st, 492-0558
Log Cabin Republicans, 491-4974, saclogcabin.org
Outdoor Adventures of Sac., oas_news@hotmail.com
Rainbow Bridge Speakers, Paula, 658-0892
Rainbow Chamber of Commerce, 479-1831
Sac. Area Rainbow Families, 863-0852
Sac. Area Women's Community Network, 451-8034, sacwn.com
Sac. Arts & Games Association, 451-8663
Sac. LEGAL, geocities.com/WestHollywood/Park/3103
Sac. Valley Pozabilities, 564-1790, sacramentovalleypozabilities@yahoo.com
Sisters of Scota Women's Motorcycle Club, 725-9467
Valley Knights Motorcycle Club, 455-6540

Auction
The Auction House, 10076 Mills Station Road, 361-8491

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Automotive Services
Capitol City European, 1725 33rd St., 452-5811
Cuilla Brothers Body Shop, 2413 J St., 443-6323
Gem Car Wash, 5150 Freeport Blvd., 451-6524
Ray's Auto Stereo & Alarms, 1925 F St., 447-9753

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District 3: Murial Johnson, 874-5481
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District 5: Don Nottoli, 874-5485

Car Wash
Gem Auto Care, 5150 Freeport Blvd., 451-6524

Catering
Black Tie Catering & Gourmet To Go, 5451 Warehouse Way Ste. 114, 383-9270, blacktiecat@aol.com

Cemeteries/Mortuaries
East Lawn Memorial Park & Mortuaries, 732-2000

Chiropractors
Chaney Chiropractic & Rehab, Karen Chaney, Nancy Buck, 1614 X St., #B, 326-4466

Churches
Cathedral of Promise MCC, 10500 Chaplain Ave., Matherfield Rd., 364-4325
Dignity, 2529 K St., 492-6452
Lutherans Concerned, 731-8887, 927-2624

City Council
City Hall, Rm. 205, 915 I St.
Mayor Heather Fargo: 264-5300
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District 2: Sandy Sheedy, 264-7002
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District 4: Jimmy Yee, 264-7004
District 5: Lauren Hammond, 264-7005
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District 7: Robbie Waters, 264-7007
District 8: Bonnie Pannell, 264-7008

City Parks
City Park Reservations, 277-6060

Dry Cleaning Services
Freeport Cleaners, 2001 4th St., 442-2838

Electrical
Tom Seares Electrical, 487-6482

Financial Services
Killick Financial Services, 2321 Lloyd Ln., 486-8985

Furniture
Feather Thy Nest, 4747 J St., 737-2747

Galleries
20th Street Art, 911 20th St, 930-0500

Gardening Services
English Garden Care, 489-8903

Gay Center
Lambda Community Center, 1927 L St., 442-0185

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MGW Typesetting & Graphics, 1103 T St., 441-6397

Groceries
Taylor's Market, 2900 Freeport Blvd., 443-6881

Housekeeping
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Halls/Meeting Places
Channel 6, KVIE, Ose Community Rm., 2595 Capital Oaks Dr., 929-5843
Musicians Hall, 1925 Del Paso Blvd., 565-2500
SMUD Building, 6301 S St., 916-732-5310

Health
Midtown Supplements, www.midtownsupplements.us

Hobbies/Crafts
Bead Fetish, 1927 L St., 447-7979

Holy Unions
Inn at Parkside, 2116 Sixth St., 658-1818

Hotels/Inns/Resorts
Capitol Park Inn, 1300 T St., 877-753-9982
Inn at Parkside, 2116 Sixth St., 658-1818

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Jewelry
Ancient Crossroads, 731 Howe Ave., 947-6117
Arareity Fine Jewelry, 1021 R St., 446-1535
The Bead Fetish, 1729 L St., 447-7979

Mail Box Rental/Shipping
Alhambra Mail & Parcel, 3104 O St., 731-4440

Mortgage
Chase Manhattan, Rick Corby, 2998 Douglas Blvd. Ste. 105, 787-1429
Dee Petee, Senior Loan Officer, AccuBanc Mortgage Lender, 564-9500
Val Donahue, ATM Mortgage Corp., 390-2533

Moving
Capital City Moving & Storage, 3298 Orange Grove Ave., N. Highlands, 487-8400

Nursery
Lotus Valley Nursery/Garden, 5606 Peterson Lane, Lotus, 626-7001

Optometrist/Eye Glasses
Dr. Cameron Yee, 6407 Riverside Blvd., 395-0673

Painting
Sandman Painting & Drywall, 925-4838

Pet Care/Rescue
Animal Housecall, Dr. Nancy Weagly, 456-0967
Animal Place, 3448 Laguna Creek Trail, Vacaville, 707-449-4814
Faux Paw Kennels, Adopt A Pet, 9204 Florin Rd., 988-6225
Fur People Pet Sitting, 457-1655
Labrador Retreiver Rescue, 209-951-3697, cc-labrescue.org
Waggin Tails K9 Waste Removal, 987-8587, 800-POOP-SCOOP
Watt Avenue Pet Hospital, 3321 Watt Ave. Suite 109, 482-4084

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Charon Jenner, Cook Realty, 4305 Freeport Blvd, 763-1781
Bill McJunkins, Realtor, Whisler Land Co., 443-6969
Brian McMartin, Realtor, McMartin Realty, 2407 J St., 447-1600
Pfingst Realty, 9978 Folsom Blvd., 362-1166
Craig Wetterer, Whisler Land Co., 446-6666
Mark Whisler, Broker, Whisler Land Co., 446-6666

Restaurants
City Treasure, 1730 L St., 447-7380
Dos Coyotes Border Cafe, 1735 Arden Way, 927-0377
Rolle French Gourmet, 5357 H St., 455-9140
Sacramento Brew Pub, Town & Country Village, 485-4677

Sacramento Info
MGW: mgwnews.com
Sac. Police Dept.: sacpd.org
Sac. Maps: citymaps.sacto.org
Sacramento.com

Shelters
WIND Center For Homeless Teens, Lynette Lyons, 300 Ahern St., 443-1386

Signs
Sign-A-Rama, 3017 Arden Way, 564-4299

Stereo Repair
Ray's Auto Stereo & Alarms, 1925 F St., 447-9753

Therapists
Bruce Gunn, MFCC #M19480, 418 Alhambra Blvd., 443-7171
Sandra Warne, MFCC#30585, 300 University Ste. 218, 568-1025

Thrift Store
MCC Out Of The Closet Thrift Store, 3230 Broadway, 454-5019
Sutter Hospice/Roseville, 2120 Harding Blvd., 783-5509

Upholstery
B&T Upholstery & Repair, 1600 Kitchner Rd., Ste. B, 392-1959

VCR Repair
Ray's Auto Stereo & Alarms, 1925 F St., 447-9753

Veterinarians
Animal Housecall, Dr. Nancy Weagly, 456-0967

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Las Vegas Pride

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Friday, May 9: Pride Parade. 8pm One of only three nighttime parades in America.

Saturday, May 10 — The Gay Pride Festival "Inside The Oasis" Noon to 2am

Held for the first time at Sport Center Las Vegas, 121 E. Sunset Road, the festival will include more than 120 vendors, live entertainment,

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